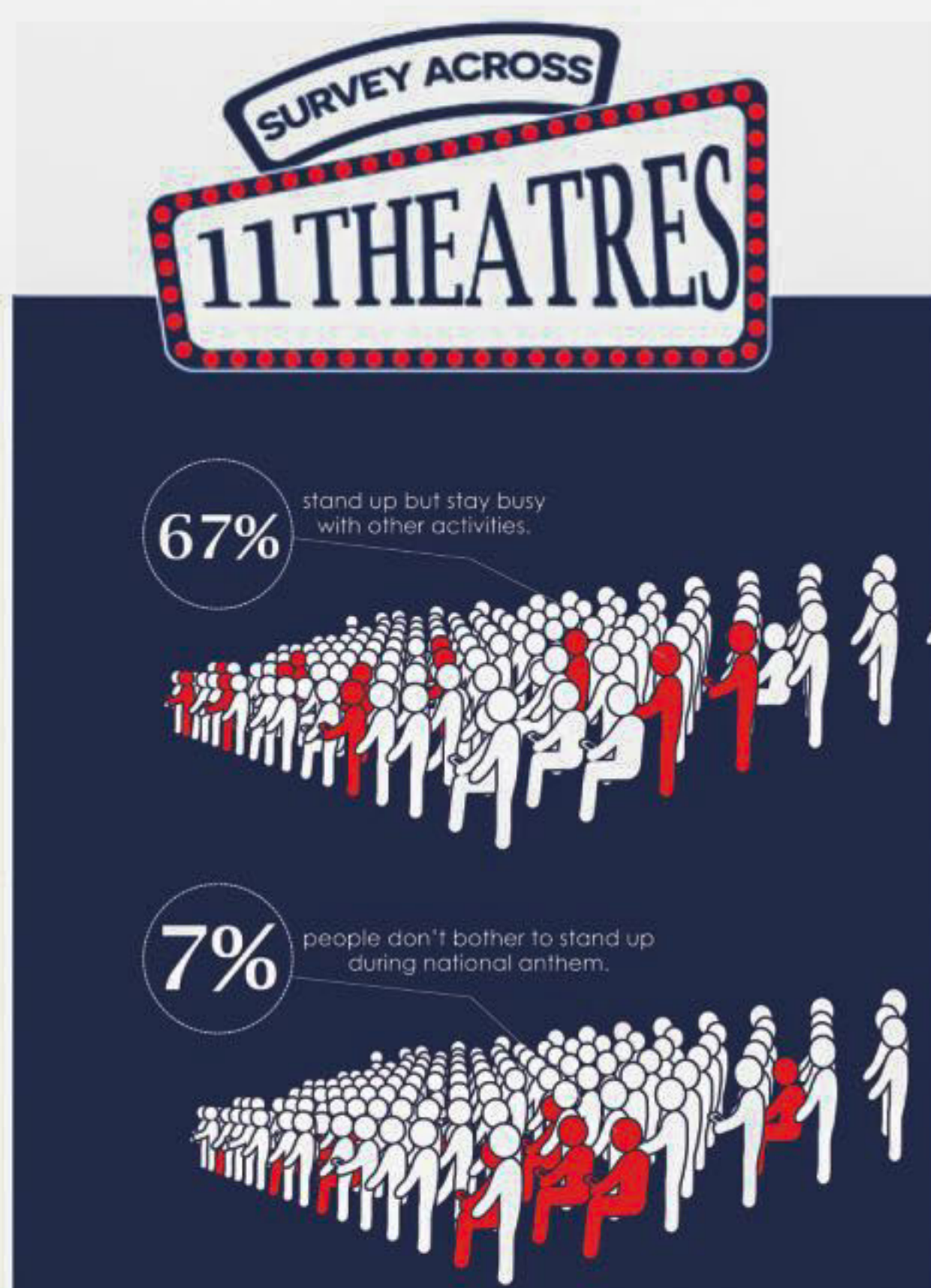




Patriotism Shouldn't be Limited to Social Media

Intervention by Pledge Harbor Students



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Students from Pledge Harbor International School took the much-needed initiative to make a small yet vital movement, through reminding that the true meaning of love for one's country is not demonstrated by celebrating Independence Day and Victory Day twice a year alone. These students made an interesting attempt to address a real social problem.

Students from Pledge Harbor International School went to a theatre, where they made an awareness video about people who do not bother to stand up

when the national anthem is played right before a movie. They filmed the actions of the audiences at the theatre while the national anthem was being played. It was noticed that 7 percent of the audiences did not even bother to stand up, and the 67 percent who stood up were busy with other activities. At the end of the movie, the students went up to those who did not show proper respect to the national anthem and handed them cards featuring photos of them preoccupied with something else while the national anthem was playing.

The intention of this act was to bring attention to ongoing blatant disrespect to the national anthem and flag. Love for one's own nationality can be shown through small, everyday actions. One doesn't have to shout at the top of his/her voice to declare

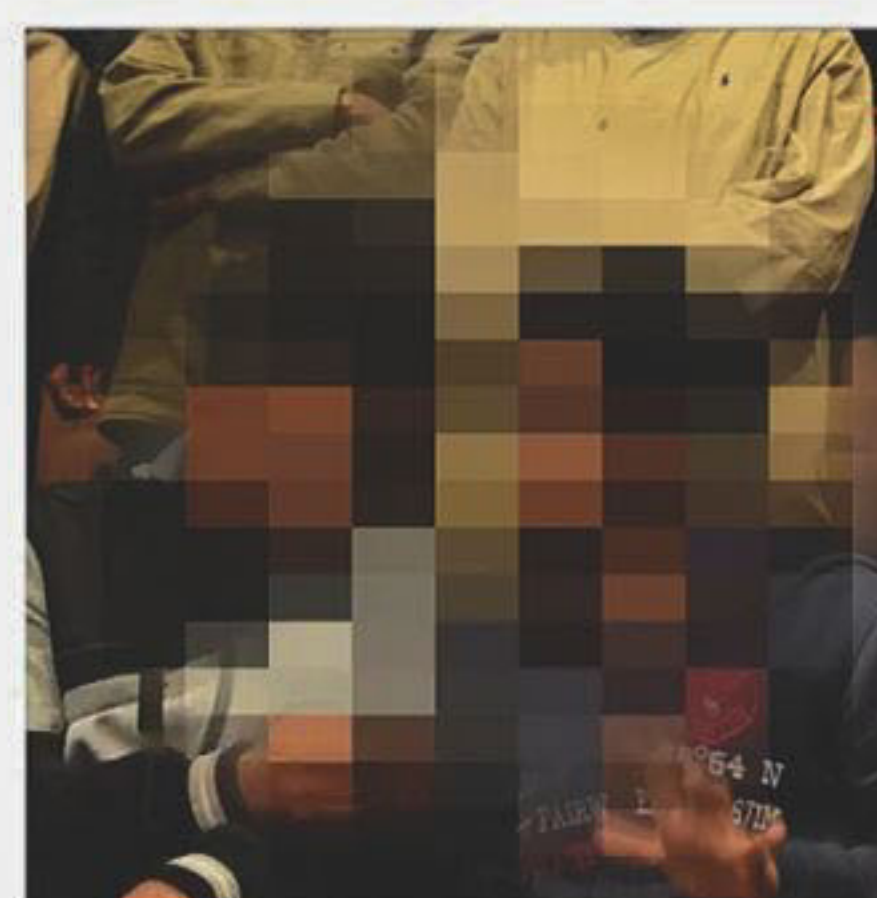
one's love for the country; all he/she has to do is stand up for a few minutes and remain respectful to a national emblem. Our patriotism doesn't have to be only limited to changing our profile pictures and cover photos on social media twice every year. How difficult can it be to stand up and show respect?

The video has been well received and positively accepted. It went viral during the end of December, 2014 and the response all over the web and Facebook pages have seemingly generated much interest and discussion. The video reminds everyone of the simple lesson we learned as children.

Showing proper respect during national anthem is definitely not about a legal issue, but rather about behaviour, a tradition, and a practice taught since childhood.



When the National Anthem was playing



You were doing this

Dear uncle/aunt
When National Anthem is played anywhere we should pay respect by standing upright with our hands by the sides. This is what our teachers have taught. Please don't forget to do this, ok?

Yours lovingly



MIXTAPE

Buckethead

Padmasana

Eminem

Like Toy Soldiers

Mr. Bungle

Goodbye Sober Day

Keane

Leaving So Soon?

Pearl Jam

Mind Your Manners

The Notorious B.I.G

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