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To be negative, rude, hateful and hostile isn't very appealing or attractive to any person, yet do we understand, as people, who we really are? Do we know our own characteristics, our own words? The shadowed view of our own Hugo High School that we have created has only limited the possibility of improvement

The definition of negativity is as follows: Marked by features of hostility, withdrawal or pessimism that hinder or oppose constructive treatment or development. Does this definition reflect anything about improving our school? I don't think it does. When I hear ugly words said about me and my school I honestly can't take it. Just in the last two years I've attended Hugo High the accusations have gotten worse. From statements like, "I really do feel bad for you having to attend Hugo High, I heard the students act like animals." To, "You go to school at Hugo? I heard the cops are up there every day." The worse part about these comments is that they are coming directly from the people of Hugo.

To succeed is every school and community's dream, yet in my opinion it seems that we have chosen to be negative in order to reach that dream. It doesn't sound right, does it? Negativity doesn't equal success, and it never will. In order for our community and our school to reach all new heights we must be positive.

Just like negativity, positivity spreads like wildfire. Hugo High School is a great school, and I consider it a privilege that I am a student there. The teaching staff at Hugo is amazing and filled with educators who want to help and prepare every student for the outside world. The atmosphere of the high school is like no other. As soon as I walk onto campus every day, I know that I will learn something new. Trying to hinder Hugo High School of its progression is not good for this community and is not included in the definition of positivity.

Parents want their kids to attend a good school and receive a great education. Hugo High School is everything a parent could want. Try being positive about our community and our school, it could make a world of difference.

"People deal too much with the negative, with what is wrong. Why not try and see positive things, to just touch those things and make them bloom?' –Thich Nhat Hanh