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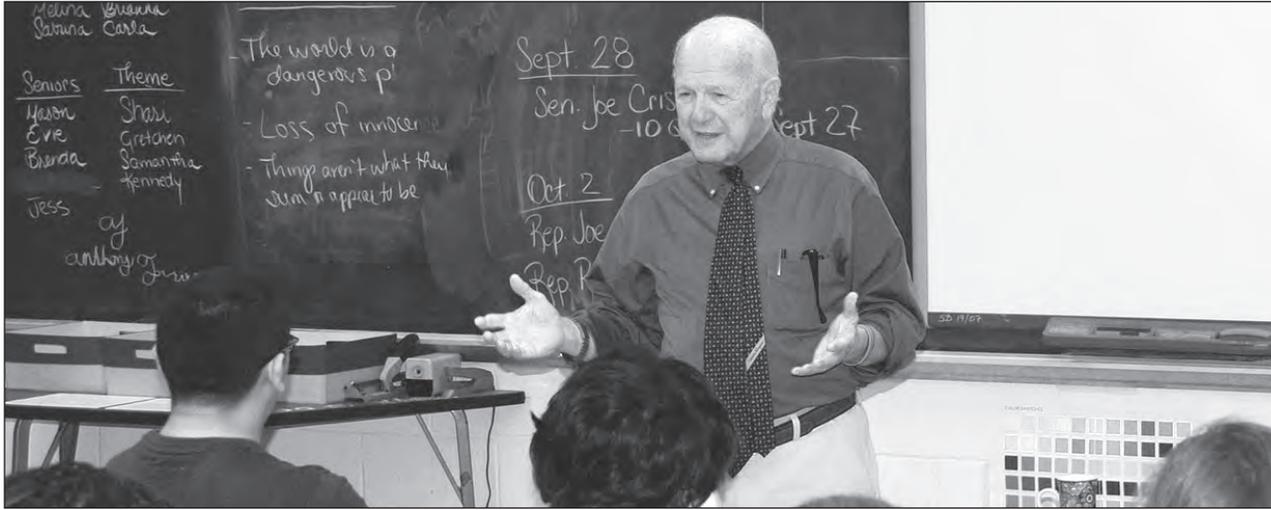
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# YOUR STATE SENATOR **JOE CRISCO**



**I was delighted to be invited as a guest speaker for a Naugatuck High School journalism class and to talk about the legislative process and the role of the press in government.**

## **Renovating Naugatuck High School**

Last spring, I was part of the successful effort to secure funding for the renovation and alteration of Naugatuck High School. This significant state grant will not only benefit the borough's students with a like-new, 21st century facility, but also local taxpayers, with the state covering nearly 75 percent of construction costs. In addition to facility upgrades, the alteration includes incorporation of the Naugatuck School District's central offices into underutilized portions of the building.

## **Addressing Children's Mental Health Care**



Following the Newtown tragedy, Democrats and Republicans came together to improve Connecticut's mental healthcare system, with particular focus on the well-being of children. As a member of the Bipartisan Task Force on Gun Violence Prevention and Children's Safety, Mental Health Working Group, I was proud to contribute to this initiative and to co-sponsor legislation that addresses the mental, emotional and behavioral health needs of all children in our state.

This successful legislation requires the implementation of a strong, comprehensive, integrated system of care. It identifies strategies for reducing the long-term negative impact of mental, emotional and behavioral health issues on children. Prevention techniques, such as early identification and intervention, and ensuring access to developmentally appropriate services are among the strategies identified. It also creates a Children's Mental Health Task Force to study the effects of nutrition, genetics and medication on our youngsters.