With violence on the rise and uncertainty in the air It becomes absolutely necessary to study and prepare Prepare to be responsive to every student's need And to also anticipate their inner souls' plead

Plant seeds of resilience, build hope on every front Let them know they are not alone, and to weakness be quite blunt We are strong and we will survive, for together we can win This adversarial spirit that destroys the power of friends

We must create environments where we celebrate diversity
We must lace our schools intentionally with inclusivity
We must talk out thoroughly problems until we see the light of day
We must give the words of positivity in all we do and say

For this battle that we face cannot be won in isolation And the counselors must assume their role to help on the destination Each counselor must come to terms they have been called to the list Extraordinary counselors for such a time as this



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