

Stay Strong * Stay Drug-Free * Stay Sharp

Stay Sharp

Drug and Alcohol Prevention Program

A unique prevention program – available now to immediately educate students on drug and alcohol abuse and the consequences of their choices.

As reported by NCCP: Most people use drugs for the first time when they are teenagers. There were just over 2.8 million new users of illicit drugs in 2013, or about 7800 new users per day.

Over half, 54 percent were under the age of 18 years of age.

- Specifically addresses the Facts, Lies, and Costs of addiction.
- Engages the hearts and minds of youth through a visual encounter.
- Educates youth about the dangers and consequences of drug and alcohol abuse.
- Equips youth to make healthy choices.
- Empowers youth with truth and hope.
- Pre and post assessment to determine effectiveness of program.

Goals of Stay Sharp

- Facilitate open, honest conversation about the harmful effects of drug and alcohol abuse.
- Encourages supportive environments in the community between peers, young people, adults, students, and administrators.
- Reduce the number of teens experimenting with or regularly using drugs or alcohol.
- Instill hope by inspiring those who are struggling with substance abuse to ask for help and to know that recovery is possible.
- Encourage those who know someone who is using drugs or alcohol to get help by speaking with a trusted adult, such as a teacher, counselor, or parent.

More than 40 Teen Challenge centers Nationwide providing Stay Sharp. Reaching thousands of teenagers in the states of AL, AZ, AR, CA, DE, FL, GA, HI, IN, IA, KY, MI, NY, NC, OR, PA, TN, TX, UT, VA AND WA.

TEACHER COMMENTS

"The presentation highlighted important facts and personal opinions that could relate to the students if they were put into a situation where they had to make a decision. Very motivating about choices and decisions. I would love to continue bringing the Stay Sharp program to Avon, maybe even outside of the health classes as well. " – Meghan Medendrop, Teacher Avon High School

"Very authentic and sincere presentation!
Very important to relate to our students
and the student speakers did an excellent
job. Lots of discussion afterwards, could see
several students totally connected with the
girls' situations at home and their issues that
led them to drugs and alcohol. Always a great
impression on the kids since the student speakers
are so very close to their age."

-Mary Shirley, Teacher Lebanon Middle school "I think having a panel of teens to speak to the classes is most powerful. As always the presentations are very powerful and professional. I think that this program is one of the best, if not the best, programs that I invite year after year. I truly believe this influences our students and always touches individuals every semester" -Ryan Tucker, Teacher Lebanon High School

"Our students were engaged in all aspects of the Stay Sharp program. Very professional presentation; girls (speakers) were straightforward. Very open and honest with their stories, and not afraid to answer questions. Thank you to Teen Challenge for the girls coming in and honestly sharing their life stories. If we can save one student from drugs or alcohol, the presentation was well worth it."

-Jeff Pearson, Teacher Western Boone Jr. High School

STUDENT COMMENTS

"This helped me so much, thank you so much. I love to hear your stories, especially since you're not some dumb video. You're the real thing. I can really relate to you guys. You guys have no idea how much this impacted my life."

-Zionsville Middle School, 8th Grade Student

"I'm currently relapsing right now. I was clean for about 200 days and was so happy, but now I can feel myself sinking again, and it sucks. You both gave me a lot of hope today. Thanks you!"

-Zionsville High School, 11th Grade Student

"Something that I have as problem with is weed. That's the only thing I do and I choose to do anytime I see my friends with it. I didn't think I had a problem with it, but now I don't know."

-Lebanon High School, 10th Grade Student

"I feel the same way..."

-Lebanon High School, 11th Grade Student