

Middle School Guidance



Somerset County Reality Tour

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Somerset County has adopted a national award winning parent and child drug prevention program that demonstrates what can happen to you when you begin using illicit drugs. The Reality Tour program is a step-by-step path (peer pressure to use drugs to death) of addiction with the ultimate goal of having families realize the devastation that drugs have upon individuals and families. The program is consequence based which can have an immediate impact on participants. Unlike many drug prevention programs, this program requires parents to take the tour with their chil-

dren. According to Somerset County Drug and Alcohol Commission Director, Erin Howsare, heroin has passed alcohol as the new drug of choice in Somerset County. Marijuana is the second leading drug of choice in Somerset County. Erin reports that alcohol and tobacco use are down among teenagers. The Reality Tours in Somerset County began in January. The tours are held at the Somerset Borough Building, 340 West Union Street, Somerset, Pennsylvania 15501, and are held the second Tuesday of each month from 6:00 - 9:00.

The Reality Tour is sponsored by the Jaycees of Somerset. The group donated \$3,500 to get the program underway and will donate \$500 each year to the program. Candle Inc., a non-profit group, developed the program.

Quote of the month

"What comes easy won't last, what last won't come easy." - Mike Krzyzewski



Points of Interest:

- ✓ - Absent from school? Check out the teacher lesson plans by logging into PowerSchool parent portal.
- ✓ - Excuses are due the day students return to school. A grace period of three days is allowed before becoming illegal.
- ✓ - Bullying information can be found at: www.bbsd.com/Page/16088

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Important Upcoming Events

The following are a listing of important dates to remember:

June 2, 2015 - Last student day of the 2014 - 2015 school year.

June 14, 2015 - Flag Day! Display the colors proudly!

June 21, 2015 - Happy Father's Day. Thanks dad! I

love you!

July 4, 2015 - Happy Independence Day America!

August 11, 2015 - New student registration. (9:00 - 2:00)

August 28, 2015 - Teacher In-Service Day.

August 31, 2015 - Teacher In-Service Day.

September 1, 2015 - First student day of the 2015 - 2016 school year.

