



D.A.R.E. Curriculum and Information

NATIONAL HEALTH EDUCATION STANDARDS: FOR STUDENTS

D.A.R.E. EVALUATION - STUDY

K-2 Program

3rd & 4th Program

5th & 6th Program

Jr High Program

High School Program

Parents Program



New Program Results

Purpose - Drug Abuse Resistance Education is a collaborative effort by **D.A.R.E.** certified law enforcement officers, educators, students, parents, and the Community to offer an educational program in the classroom to *prevent or reduce* drug abuse and violence among children and youth. To help our youth recognize and resist the many direct and subtle pressures that influence them to experiment with alcohol, tobacco, marijuana, inhalants, or other illegal drugs, or to engage in violence. With the New **D.A.R.E.** curriculum the focus is to improve decision-making skills to achieve the goals of preventing or reducing drug use and the acts of violence among our youth.

Our Local Community - The city of San Antonio began the **D.A.R.E.** program in 1988, through the San Antonio Police Department and select schools from the 15 different school districts. The **Bexar County D.A.R.E.** Program began in 1993. The **Bexar County D.A.R.E.** program has consecutively grown and continues to expand based on the public's (citizen's) demands for it's expansion. In July 1997, the San Antonio Police Department dropped the **D.A.R.E.** program due to budgetary constraints, however the demand for continuance of the **D.A.R.E.** program has persisted. This has called for the program to expand the current program to incorporate all the schools formerly in the San Antonio Police Department **D.A.R.E.** program. To achieve this

“D.A.R.E. PROJECT PARTNERSHIP” was created. This concept involved the **Bexar County Sheriff’s Office**, Alamo Heights Police Department, Castle Hills Police Department, Constables Office PCT#1, Constables Office PCT#4, East Central I.S.D. Police Department, Harlandale I.S.D. Police Department, Northeast I.S.D. Police Department, South San Antonio I.S.D. Police Department, Southside I.S.D. Police Department, Fort Sam Houston U.S. Army DoD Police Department and Security Police from Lackland and Randolph USAF Bases. Even with the **Bexar County** dropping their program involvement effective December 2007, there is still an active **D.A.R.E. Program in Bexar County.**

Focus - D.A.R.E. strategies focus on the development of social competence, communication skills, self-esteem, empathy, decision making, conflict resolution, sense of purpose and independence, and positive alternative activities to drug abuse and other destructive behaviors. Specially trained and selected uniformed law enforcement personnel work full-time as **D.A.R.E.** instructors and patrol Community policing deputies. These deputies teach one **D.A.R.E.** lesson per week; to 4 to 8 classes each day for each school; with each deputy doing 3 to 4 schools each per week focusing at the 5th grade level. These deputies have credibility with the youth and their teachers because of their experience and expertise as veteran patrol officers in dealing with substance abusers and violence.

Community D.A.R.E. Board of Directors - We have a local board of directors whom govern our implementation of our **Bexar County D.A.R.E.** program. These are Community and business leaders who approve our operating budget and represent the local Community's interest in all aspects of our program. There are currently 12 directors on the board. We are a 501(c) (3) non-profit program and organization. Our federal tax ID exempt number is 74-2564308. We rely on local donations and contributions from local businesses, civic groups and clubs, school districts, school PTA/PTO, parents and concerned citizen's to help defray the cost of workbooks, instructional materials, and incentives for the students. The success of the **D.A.R.E.** program within our Community depends not only on the well-designed curriculum, but also on the support of our Community. We need your help and financial support as this is a "TEAM" effort.

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