

TNP Coalition Work October - November 2023

1. Education/Awareness:

- MADD Power of Youth for elementary kids at library, info/resources for parents
- Courageous Parenting 101 - 7 parents
- Courage to Speak presentation at NHMS - 187 kids
- QPR training for all NPS nurses
- Overdose awareness/Narcan training for 61 NCC nursing students
- Overdose awareness/Narcan training for all Twilight & Virtual Academy staff
- Today's Marijuana: What Families Should Know
- Sleep Tips for Teens

2. Planning & coordination around substance use/social media intersection issues raised by NPS:

- Screenagers Under the Influence
 - for HS families at NHS (Monday Nov 20)
 - For Ponus/CMS families, coupled with health & wellness fair, pizza, raffles on Dec 6
 - panelists including NPD, NPS, SBHC, Positive Directions
 - worked with NEF to get the new license
 - Press release has gone out and film is advertised on social media
 - Outreaching to health & wellness participants for Dec 6
 - Health teachers will show Screenagers at both HS buildings - still being organized
- Norwalk Strong teens
 - No Vape November initiative (posters)
 - Preparing assembly for 8th graders at Ponus
 - Planning awareness table in cafs
- Convo with Roton MS re: possible professional development day on prevention for MS health teachers

3. Follow up on last month's Marijuana discussion & presentation by Ryan Harold about what school security is seeing:

- Convo with Ryan Harold - alternatives to suspension
- Marijuana committee:
 - Met with Denique re: state efforts
 - follow-up with Rec & Parks & restaurants
 - Idea for activity similar to our Narcan drop-in event in neighborhoods such as near ODS - addressing other substances as well (Liquor Stickers, marijuana lockboxes) - maybe target Hispanic population
 - Discussed option to pilot it & see whether to continue
 - Safety concept - how to market? "Holiday Lock-Up" /
 - Can build into our new SOR mini-grant
 - Do it at hotspots (talk to police to identify) - maybe even in front of the stores that are selling to minors
- RFQ opportunity re: community conversation on cannabis with the historically disadvantaged population - through Social Equity Council money & with United Way and Norwalk ACTS

4. Environmental:

- Discussed vape takeback - no go
- NPD has done a lot of compliance checks - most recently 9 stores selling alcohol to minors