

Eagle Pride



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Dear Parent(s),

We are pleased to announce that Aim for Success will be presenting their program, "**AIM FOR SUCCESS**" to our 7th and 8th grade students on **Wednesday, February 8**. On this day, your child will have the opportunity to hear a powerful, live presentation by Aim For Success, Inc., encouraging sexual abstinence until marriage. The Aim for Success presentation is fun, interactive and never embarrassing. This program addresses the health reasons for choosing sexual abstinence including pregnancy, STD's, and Emotional Scars.

There will be a parent meeting which includes a preview of the student program so you can know firsthand what the students will be seeing. The **parent only preview** date is **Tuesday, January 24 from 6:00-7:00pm in the AHS Lecture Hall**. This program equips parents with the tools and medical information needed to communicate effectively with their children without embarrassment. Parents learn how, when, and why to talk to their children (toddlers to teens) about sex. **Aim for Success** believes parents should be their children's primary sex educators, but have found that many parents don't know how to approach this critical subject. **Please know that this parent preview is for parents only**. We will have free babysitting available for anybody needing this.

Aim for Success is the largest provider of sexual abstinence programs in the United States. They present about 2500 programs each year. Ninety percent of these programs are in public schools across the nation, reaching about 200,000 students and their parents each year. This is a must see event for family members, youth workers, counselors, nurses, school administrators and anyone who is concerned about teenage sexual activity in our country.

Aim for Success, a non-profit, educational organization, has received local, state and national recognition for the work they are doing in public schools. On the next page, you will find the outline of this program or you can visit the **Aim for Success** website at www.aimforsuccess.org. Please contact the school if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Tina Shobe
Counselor

RETURN THIS PORTION **ONLY** IF YOU **DO NOT** WANT YOUR CHILD TO ATTEND THE PROGRAM.

I do **NOT** want my child, _____, to attend the Aim for Success program.

Parent or Guardian: _____ Date: _____

AIM FOR SUCCESS™

A V O I D I N G T H E R I S K S

Aim For Success

Why Abstinence? Because it Protects

Aim For Success has three sexual abstinence programs. Each program has a version for 6th grade, 7th and 8th grade and high school. The following is the Aim For Success outline for 7th – 12th grade.

7th – 12th Grade Outline for a One Hour Program

Introduction: Dreams and Goals

Choices you make now will affect your future dreams and goals.

Pregnancy

Over 2,000 teenage girls get pregnant every day.

What is the only way to make sure you don't face a pregnancy?

Abstinence = Freedom.

Gift Box Object Lesson

Everyone has the gift of virginity to give away one time.

Sexual abuse is never the victim's fault. This person still has the gift of their virginity to give away.

If you've already been sexually involved, it isn't too late. You could decide to rewrap your gift and not have sex any more until marriage.

STDs – Card Game

The game demonstrates one out of four teens who are having sex gets an STD every year.

The game also shows that these STDs can be asymptomatic – no signs, no symptoms, but contagious.

Discussion of Chlamydia, Herpes and Human Papilloma Virus.

STD's can be transmitted by oral sex.

Two people faithful to each other for a lifetime never have to worry about STDs

Abstinence = Freedom.

Emotional Scars – Gloves Object Lesson

Psychologists say having sex is the most intimate form of bonding.

It's got to hurt when you break up and could leave you with a hard, cold heart.

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Setting Boundaries - Stop Sign Object Lesson

Stop signs are designed for protection.

As you begin to date you will need to set boundaries and always be prepared to stop.

Students learn how to recognize and stop teen dating violence.

The Pressure of Drugs and Alcohol

One of the biggest pressures on teens to have sex is drug and alcohol use.

Alcohol wipes away the self control needed to live a sexually abstinent lifestyle.

Contraceptives

Students see that while using birth control pills and/or condoms can reduce the risks some of the time, they do not guarantee protection.

Can You Chance It? Dice Game

Students will play a game to see the dangers of having sex outside of marriage.

The only way to guarantee you won't get hurt is not to play the game.

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Survey

Most teens have not had sex!

A voluntary, anonymous survey is offered at the conclusion. Aim for Success sends the survey results and student comments back to the school.