

4th Annual Safe and Sober Family Night Successful

The West Allis-West Milwaukee School District hosted its **4th Annual Safe and Sober Family Night on Monday, September 17, 2012 at 7:00 pm in the Nathan Hale High School Auditorium.** Working in collaboration, the West Allis Police Department, the West Allis-West Milwaukee School District, the West Allis Fire Department and the West Allis-West Milwaukee Community Coalition presented information to parents and students on making positive choices. The panel discussion centered around the question, “How has alcohol affected you professionally or personally?” and informed families about the dangers of drinking and driving, current trends in teenage substance use, and how to keep our students safe. This program has become an annual event hosted by West Allis Central and Nathan Hale High Schools in alternating years. Next fall West Allis Central High School will host the event.

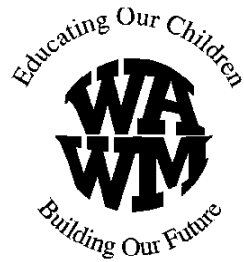
Approximately 225 people were in attendance. Of those, 100 were parents, and 125 were students from both Central and Nathan Hale High Schools. The event was meant to be a proactive intervention to promote safe behaviors during the upcoming high school homecomings, winter formals, proms, and graduation celebrations. Attendees passed by a WAPD squad car that was involved in an accident with a drunk driver over the summer in order to get into the building.



Panelists at the event included Lt. Chad Evenson and Officer Andrew Matter, WAPD; Lt. Jay Scharfenberg, WAFD; Darrell Woodard, Dean of Students at West Allis Nathan Hale High School; and community members Jenny Kinney and Tyler Lambert. The event concluded with parents and their daughter/son signing a family pledge to one another. Over 120 pledges were distributed and signed.

Students who attended the family night with their parents/guardians received a \$10 voucher, which can be used toward one event (homecoming, winter formal, or prom). Over \$500 in gift certificates and prizes were donated by local businesses. Prizes were given away at the end of the program, which included discounts at local hair/nail/tanning salons and florists. We hope the event increased awareness and will help parents have those crucial conversations with their daughter/son to make positive life choices. Future events will include assemblies at each high school in the winter, and a parents only event in the spring.





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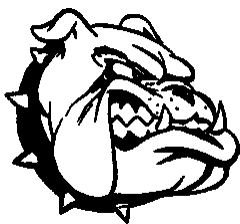
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4th Annual Safe and Sober Family Night

Monday, September 17, 2012

7:00 pm

Nathan Hale High School Auditorium



West Allis Central
High School



West Allis Nathan Hale
High School

Tonight's Program – Perspectives on the Effects of Alcohol

Nathan Hale High School Auditorium

Monday, September 17, 2012

7:00 pm

Opening Remarks: **Mr. Matt Lesar**
Principal, West Allis Nathan Hale High School

Panel Discussion

“How has alcohol affected your life, professionally or personally?”
Questions from the audience.

Moderator

Beth Heflin, West Allis-West Milwaukee School District ATODA Coordinator

Panelists

Lt. Chad Evenson, West Allis Police Department

Jenny Kinney, Community Member

Tyler Lybert, Community Member

Officer Andrew Matter, West Allis Police Department

Lt. Jay Scharfenberg, West Allis Fire Department

Darrell Woodard, Dean of Students, West Allis Nathan Hale High School

Family Pledge: **Ms. Tammy Molter**
Coalition Coordinator, West Allis-West Milwaukee
Community Coalition

Closing

Thank You's: **Mr. Dan Solorzano**
Assistant Principal, West Allis Central High School

Drawing for Prizes: **Mr. Jeff Borland**
Assistant Principal, West Allis Nathan Hale High School

Refreshments will be served in the Auditorium Commons

****Please make sure to register your attendance tonight at your respective High School's table to ensure your child receives a voucher for a FREE ticket to either the Homecoming or Winter Formal dance or a \$15 discount on their purchase of a Prom ticket. The discount will only be given if the parent/guardian AND child are in attendance tonight.****

Parent Internet and Other Resources

Alcohol

State of Drinking

How our love of alcohol shapes Wisconsin's landscape

<http://www.fdlreporter.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/99999999/WIS0110/399990694/1979>

Alcohol Policy Information System

The Alcohol Policy Information System (APIS) has a comparison of all states' alcohol regulation and enforcement policies and laws for the last 10 years.

<http://www.alcoholpolicy.niaaa.nih.gov>

Kids

The Cool Spot

The young teens place for info on alcohol and resisting peer pressure.

<http://www.thecoolspot.gov/index.asp>

Milwaukee County

West Allis-West Milwaukee Community Coalition (WAWMCC)

Providing support to the West Allis-West Milwaukee community to raise healthy, drug-free children.

<http://www.wawmcc.org>

2-1-1 @ IMPACT

Information for Milwaukee County residents who need assistance with family, health and social services.

<http://www.impactinc.org/211/211.htm>

Parents

Partnership for Drug Free America Parent Resource Center

<http://www.drugfree.org/>

Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) and Nationwide Insurance have launched "The Power of Parents, It's Your Influence by MADD(™)" to give parents of high school students the communication tools they need to stop teen alcohol use. The program features resources at www.thepowerofparents.org.

Prescription Drugs

Get Smart About Drugs

Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) Resources for Parents

<http://www.getsmartaboutdrugs.com/>

Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewage District

Drug drop-off sites in southeastern Wisconsin

<http://v3.mmsd.com/policestations.aspx>

Stop Medicine Abuse

<http://www.stopmedicineabuse.org/>

Tobacco

American Lung Association – State of Tobacco Control 2009

<http://www.stateoftobaccocontrol.org/>

Protect the Truth – Working to End Youth Smoking

<http://www.protectthetruth.org/>

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The West Allis-West Milwaukee School District would like to thank the following individuals, businesses, and organizations for their support of the **4th Annual Safe and Sober Family Night**:

C'est la Vie Salon, 1913 S. 60th St.....(414) 546-3055
Chamberlain's Flower & Gift, 6737 West Washington St.....(414) 453-1525
Great Clips, 2153 Miller Park Way(414) 645-8500
Image Oasis Salon, 5826 W. Lincoln Ave.....(414) 541-5060
Inch By Inch Tanning, 2193 S. 60th St.(414) 327-3090
Locker's Florist, 1640 S. 83rd St.(414) 276-7673
Salon Dovini, 7032 W. Greenfield Ave(414) 256-2000

PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS

Lt. Chad Evenson, West Allis Police Department
Beth Heflin, West Allis-West Milwaukee School District ATODA Coordinator
Jenny Kinney, Community Member
Tyler Lybert, Community Member
Officer Andrew Matter, West Allis Police Department
Tammy Molter, West Allis-West Milwaukee Community Coalition
Lt. Jay Scharfenberg, West Allis Fire Department
Darrell Woodard, West Allis Nathan Hale High School
West Allis Nathan Hale High School Student Services Staff

Thank you for attending our Safe and Sober Family Night. We hope you enjoyed the program and appreciate your feedback in planning future events.

West Allis-West Milwaukee School Superintendent

Kurt Wachholz

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Daniel Bailey	Kristi Bonaparte	Annette Frymark
Patricia Kerhin	Gail Radonski	Jeffrey Sikich
Susan Stalewski	Sue Sujecki	Darlene Ziemendorf

West Allis High School Administrators

<u>West Allis Central High School</u>	<u>West Allis Nathan Hale High School</u>
Paul Mielke, Principal	Matt Lesar, Principal
Jered Kotarak, Assistant Principal	Jeff Borland, Assistant Principal
Dan Solorzano, Assistant Principal	Tiara Chambers, Assistant Principal

WAWM Learning Center – James E. Dottke High School

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