



Franklin Mayor's
DRUG TASK FORCE



*Turning on the Power of Prevention
in the Franklin-Hill Community*

Celebrating 5 Years of Community Partnership

Highlighting: FYI

Franklin Youth Initiative (FYI)

Franklin High School

Franklin Youth Initiative (FYI) was kick-started in the summer of 2011 at Franklin High School. FYI utilizes the youth empowerment model created by Dover Youth to Youth to focus their attention and activities on **information**, **skills** and **action**.



FYI students take part in meeting with Senator Shaheen and Mike Botticelli, Acting Director of the Office of National Drug Policy, 2014



Group completing their Environmental Scan, taking photographs to document risk and protective factors in the community, primarily surrounding the topic of youth tobacco use. 2015



Sticker shock campaign at a local convenience store, 2014



FYI students organize Red Ribbon Week activities each year



FYI joins local law enforcement on Prescription Drug Take Back Day, 2012



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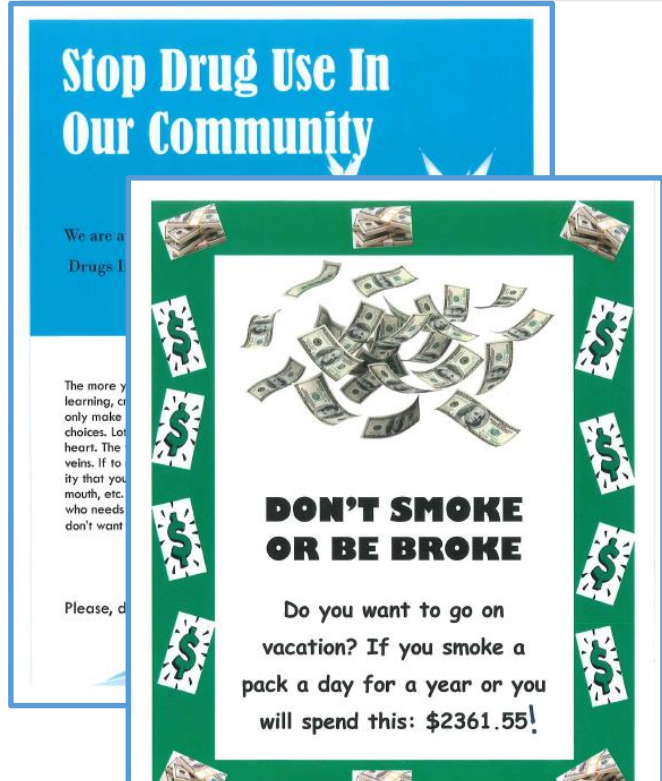
FYI was expanded, forming a group in Franklin Middle School in the fall of 2014. The emphasis of their projects and activities are aimed toward helping with overall community health by focusing on youth substance abuse prevention and making healthy choices.



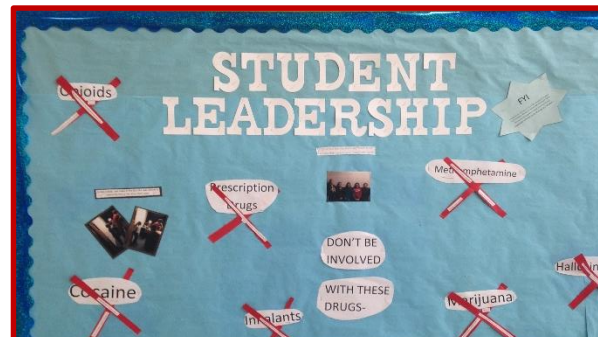
2015 Group Photo



FYI students created & recorded a radio PSA to promote a local healthy and safe family activity: Odell Park In the Dark



The group created posters about the dangers and consequences of drug misuse to share with the community.



In addition to daily announcements, the group created a bulletin display full of drug facts in recognition of National Drug Facts Week.





Thank you
*to all of our coalition members and
community partners for your
continued support.*

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Accomplishments

Franklin High School

- 3 FYI student leaders attended CADCA's Leadership Forum in Feb. 2012, where they participated in the CADCA Youth Leadership Institute
- The 2012 New Futures Youth in Action Award was presented to FRANKLIN YOUTH INITIATIVE (FYI) for their outstanding advocacy in opposition to HB 1526, a bill that would have decriminalized small amounts of marijuana.
- Developed radio PSAs that were produced and aired on local radio station, 94.1FM
- March 2014 - FYI youth attended a Granite Youth Alliance: Igniting Change conference
- May 2014 - Dover Youth2Youth facilitated presentations at both FMS and FHS; then conducted a peer:peer workshop at FHS on youth advocacy
- August 2014 - Dover Youth2Youth Prevention Coordinator attended the Annual FMDTF Leadership Retreat, and conducted a training on youth advocacy for the FYI Youth Advisors



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- ◉ Spring 2014 - Conducted Sticker Shock campaign at local alcohol retailers
- ◉ May 2014- FYI had the opportunity to attend a meeting with US Senator Jeanne Shaheen, Michael Botticelli, Acting Director of the Office of National Drug Policy, and many other substance abuse prevention specialists and partners hosted by the Franklin Mayor's Drug Task Force. **The students had the opportunity to share their thoughts on substance abuse with the group and Senator Shaheen acknowledged them and thanked them for their attendance and commitment.**
- ◉ FYI students organize Red Ribbon Week activities each year
- ◉ FYI student leaders participate as mentors in Franklin Area Children's Theatre (FACT) summer theatre productions, which engage local disadvantaged elementary students. Past productions have included *"I Believe in Me"* and *"Follow Your Dreams"*
- ◉ Completed an Environmental Scan, taking photographs to document risk and protective factors in the community, primarily surrounding the topic of youth tobacco use.



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Franklin Middle School

**2014- An expansion, bringing FYI to Franklin Middle School
With a Franklin Middle School Teacher Advisor!**

- ◉ FYI students organized Red Ribbon Week activities this past Fall, 2014
- ◉ Created & Recorded a radio PSA for Odell Park In the Dark
- ◉ Conducted daily announcements with facts and created a bulletin board display in honor of National Drug Facts Week.
- ◉ Created “informational flyers” to spread prevention messages with other youth and the community
- ◉ FYI students have been learning about the various substances using NIDA’s “Mind Over Matter” series

