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UPDATES

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Topic
<p>School Action Team—TBD</p> <p>-Awaiting Project Northland Class Action observation data report by Northeast Center for Healthy Communities. Drug recognition professional development for FY'10 faculty/staff via K-12 Curriculum Coordinator set for August. Mandatory student-athlete/parent/coaches meeting to take place in early Sept. related to underage drinking/marijuana and school policies related to same.</p> <p>-Next steps→ School Committee policy chair to let us know if we can assist in any way with policy follow-up this summer/fall. Northeast Center for Healthy Communities to present results of 2009 YRBS to School Committee in September/October.</p> <p>-Coalition discussion→ none needed.</p>
<p>Sports Organizations Outreach—Trisha</p> <p>-Made contact with Melrose Youth Hockey (Frank Sorrenti) regarding our partnership plan for next season. The League will hang MSAPC banner at Flynn Rink. Coordinated participation of hockey and baseball coaches re. attending MHS drug/alcohol prevention program in Sept. Attended presentations and gave feedback to Pat Ruggiero.</p> <p>-Next steps→ Will meet with AT to discuss plan for upcoming year. Follow-up with basketball league regarding partnership with them this year.</p> <p>-Coalition discussion→ none needed.</p>
<p>Youth Action Team—Charlie/Joe</p> <p>-<i>Environmental Scans</i>→ New spots added to list. Scans will continue in Fall and Winter. <i>Marijuana Prevention</i>→ Meeting date in the works with Joe Dillon/John Ross to continue campaign in new school year. <i>Media Literacy</i>→ E-mailed elementary principals – waiting for replies. Heard from Lincoln School so far. <i>Compliance Checks in Medford (8/27)</i>→ Conducted with 3 Melrose teens. <i>Healthy Alternatives</i>→ Collaborated with Recreation Dept. on movie nights at Memorial Hall in August.</p> <p>YAT Teen Leader hired!→ Natalie Emerson (MVMMS 8th grader) interviewed and hired to work with Charlie and Joe S. this year! First YAT meeting held on Sept. 4.</p>

-Next steps→ *Included in section above.* Additionally, YAT will have presence at September 13th Victorian Fair and will be asking visitors a survey question related to Melrose Draws the Line campaign.

-Coalition discussion→ none needed.

Guiding Good Choices–Donna M.

-Fall '09 Dates set for Tuesday and Wednesday evenings and Friday mornings, starting week of October 5th. Three teams of facilitators in place. Location finalized: First United Methodist Church, 645 Main Street!!

-Next Steps→ Coordinator to meet with facilitators. Begin advertising/soliciting participants. Will have presence at Victorian Fair on Sunday, September 13th.

-Coalition Discussion→ none needed.