

Stingel Intermediate's **Warrior Pride** Drug Free & Proud

Dear Fourth Grade Students and Parents,

Once again, all fourth grade students are invited to participate in Warrior Pride. Warrior Pride is a voluntary drug awareness program offered at Stingel Intermediate School. The organization itself will be overseen by Veronica Cain, Director of the Ontario Substance Abuse Program. The goals of the program are:

1. To promote a high self-esteem in each individual.
2. To allow the opportunity for positive peer interactions.
3. To promote the awareness of the dangers of alcohol and other drugs.
4. To promote involvement within the community.

Activities include parties and "special events", as well as fun and educational interactions with films and guest speakers. Warrior Pride meetings will take place monthly, during recess time. Dates for the 2009-2010 school year are as follows:

September 17, 2009
October 14/15, 2009
November 18/19, 2009
December 16/17, 2009
January 20/21, 2010
February 17/18, 2010
March 17/18, 2010
April 14/15, 2010
May 19/20, 2010

Students will be reminded of the meetings through their teachers by receiving an announcement. The September meeting will include any fourth grade students interested in Warrior Pride. The remaining dates will be divided by classroom in the event that a large number of students wish to sign up. Students will be able to view pictures of Warrior Pride on the Stingel website, under Substance Abuse Education. Access to all of the Ontario Substance Abuse Program activities can be found at: www.ontarioschools.org/SubstanceAbuse.html. The web page also has links to other web sites that have valuable information for parents of children of all ages.

We are looking forward to your child's involvement in what promises to be a very educational and exciting organization again this year. We simply ask that you fill out the attached section and return it to Mr. Petit. If you have questions, please call Veronica Cain at 419-747-7477.

Sincerely,

Warrior Pride Coordinators:
Veronica Cain, Program Coordinator
Tod Petit, School Counselor

Fill out the attached form and return to Mr. Petit by September 16th.

WARRIOR PRIDE PERMISSION FORM

_____ has my permission to join WARRIOR PRIDE.
(child's name, please print)

Teacher's Name _____ T-shirt size (adult sizes only) _____
(If child attends 75% of the meetings, they receive a free Warrior Pride T-Shirt in May!)

Parent's Signature _____

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