



11th Annual **Red Ribbon** Drug Awareness Event  
and **D.A.R.E. Day**  
**October 17, 2009**  
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**UNION COUNTY RED RIBBON  
DRUG AWARENESS PARADE**

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10 A.M. - 11 A.M.



**Kenilworth Boulevard**  
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September 23, 2009

Attention Art Department:

Prevention Links and the Union County Coalition for the Prevention of Substance Abuse in partnership with the Union County D.A.R.E Officers Association are coordinating the 11th Annual Red Ribbon Drug Awareness Event. We will again be joining forces by combining the annual Union County "D.A.R.E Day" and the "Red Ribbon Drug Awareness Day" in an effort to expand our reach. We expect this event to be exceptional! It will take place on October 17, 2009 (with a rain date of October 24th), at Nomahegan Park in Cranford. Along with letting you know about our event we are announcing our annual 2009 "What's My Anti-Drug?" Poster Contest.

We would like to invite you and your school to participate in our county wide "What's My Anti-Drug" poster contest. This contest is open to all Union County 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. Students are asked to create a poster describing what they choose to do instead of drugs. This can include things such as sports, family, and hobbies. We will choose three winners from each grade to receive a prize and present their winning submission at our county-wide Red Ribbon Day. The winners will be chosen strictly on originality and creativeness not on artistic ability. Posters must be submitted no later than October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

In the past, we have conducted an essay contest where many of the schools in Union County would include our contest in their English classes. We are hoping to increase this year's participation by allowing for a more creative and artistic way for participants to express what their anti-drug continues to be. To further this goal, we are asking for our poster contest to be included in the school's art program.

We truly appreciate everyone's participation in last year's Poster Contest. To further acknowledge participating schools this year, each school will receive formal acknowledgement for their participation in the Poster Contest.

We want to thank you in advance for your support and participation in this year's Poster Contest.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (732) 381-4100. We are looking forward to seeing your student's submissions.

Sincerely,

*Michael Litterer*

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Director of Prevention and Programming





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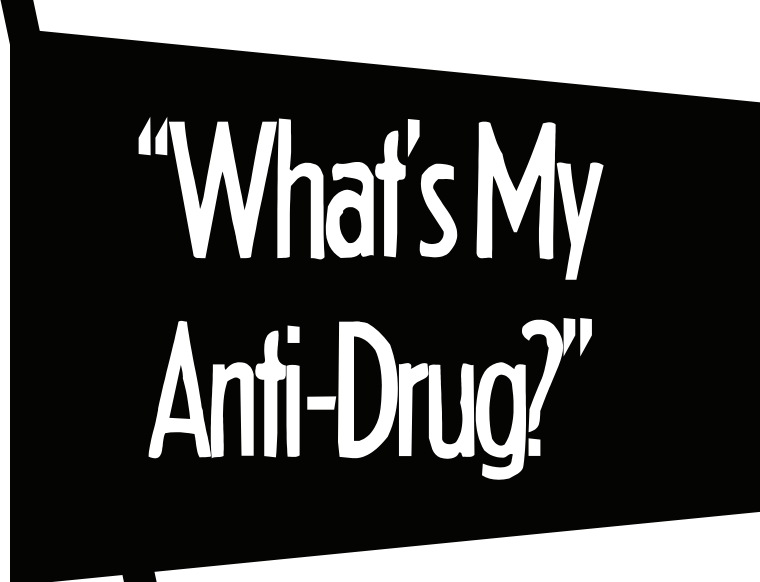


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We want to know what your Anti-Drug is. Create a poster showing what keeps you away from drugs, whether it be family, sports, or any other activity. Union County Students from grades 5 through 8 are eligible. 3 winners will be chosen from each grade. Winners will receive a prize and have their work honored at our annual Red Ribbon Day Event.



What is an ANTI-Drug? An Anti-Drug is the hobby, person or passion that stands between you and illegal drugs. We want to hear from kids just like you about your Anti-Drugs.



All submissions must be received by  
Prevention Links no later than  
**October 9, 2009.**

Please include your name, town, and phone number with your submission. Any submission not including all contact information will be disqualified.



Please submit your entries to:  
Attn: Poster Contest  
35 Walnut Ave  
Clark, NJ 07066

For more information please contact Michael Capko at (732) 381-4100