**RED RIBBON WEEK**

**October 23rd – October 31st**

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**Join our fight against drug use and abuse!**

This and next week you will be working in your groups to design a 5-8-minute PowerPoint/Poster Presentation. The presentations will be given to an audience. The presentations will count as a project grade and each member of the group will receive the same grade. Therefore, cooperation and teamwork are essential!

The PowerPoint Presentation must include the following information:

1. A creative and catchy slogan.
2. The history behind Red Ribbon Week.
3. The effects of drugs and alcohol (not just on the body, but also how it affects families, school, and relationships).
4. The alternatives to using drugs and alcohol.
5. Drug prevention strategies.
6. Resources.

The PowerPoint Presentation must also include the following technological items:

1. Multiple slides with graphics (minimum of 10 slides).
2. Grammatically correct captions, as well as accurate spelling!
3. If you would like, you may include video clips and/or other elements.

Tri-Fold Display Poster:

\*In addition to your PowerPoint you must also create a tri-fold poster board that goes along with your presentation! The poster can contain some elements from the PowerPoint, but you may add graphics, drawings or other creative elements.

All group members must work together! This week you should be focusing on research, collecting information and determining what you want to be included in the PowerPoint presentations and on the poster. Please do NOT just copy and paste random information from the internet. Use reputable sources!

In each group, you may assign the following roles: (Two people can share a role if needed.)

1. Researcher/Recorder- This student will be the main person using the laptop. This student will be recording the majority of the information and help compile all of the information in an organized way.
2. Writer- This student will be responsible for taking the recorded information and formulating properly written and executed slides for the PowerPoint. This person will also be using the laptop to create the slides.
3. Creative Engineer- This student is responsible for locating the artwork, music and any other creative element that you would like to use. In addition, this student will be the main person responsible for creating the poster board that goes with the PowerPoint.
4. Mentor/Director- The mentor will be responsible for keeping track of time, making sure all elements are covered and that all members are working together!

Every group member can help another student with each of the tasks listed above. You may all use the computer. You may all have a creative say because each of you will be receiving the same project grade (and that includes the mentors!)

It is also important to note that each member of your group should be equally participating in the presentation. It is important to practice how you will present your information. I would like you to create note cards containing the information you are to present. You do not want to be looking at your board or PowerPoint instead of looking to the audience. Practicing and rehearsing your presentation is important!

BE CREATIVE!