



ONE ISLAND, ONE TEAM, ONE DREAM, TO BE DRUG FREE

# To establish a drug free school and community for the youth of Grand Island

## Why the team was formed

To address underage drinking and other drug use in our community and schools and the pressing need for community awareness and involvement.

## Who is represented on this team

We have representation from the Schools including the School Superintendent, the YWCA, town clergy, health care providers, counselors, law enforcement, Town Justice, Town Board, GIFTS (Grand Island Families, Town, and Schools), ECCPASA, Youth Board, PTA, students and concerned parents.

## What is the mission of this team

Our mission is to establish a drug and alcohol free school and community for the youth of Grand Island. Our immediate goals are to see a marked reduction of alcohol and drug use among students within a two year period and to increase awareness of the problems and their solutions.

## What activities are being done

To date we have hosted awareness presentations by Teen Challenge, Theatre for Change and Kids Escaping Drugs, started an anonymous Tip Line, created a video showing students what happens during a drug or alcohol related arrest and booking, and launched Project Sticker Shock, (placing labels on alcoholic beverages warning buyers not to serve alcohol to minors). This coming year we will be working with pharmacies, doctor's offices, nursing homes, and funeral homes to increase awareness and limit the availability of prescription drugs at the source. Through a variety of mediums we will engage students and parents to provide awareness on various issues, and through our ongoing relationship with the Face to Face program we will develop effective programs to help on either side of the problem.

Meets the second Tuesday of each month @7pm

Location: Grand Island High School  
Room: Small Cafeteria

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