

STAR/YAB Mission & Rationale

STAR stands for Students Teaching About Responsibilities

Mission & Purpose:

STAR is a group of student leaders selected from grades 7-12, who elect to promote positive leadership in the school and in the community.

Focus of Areas for Students Teaching About Responsibilities:

- Anti-drug, alcohol, and tobacco
- Promoting positive relationships (dating violence)
- Promoting responsible on-line behavior
- Community/School Service

Annual Activities to Promote Responsible Behavior

August Planning Meeting

- Advertise the “redefined mission” and purpose for STAR
- Solicit membership
- Collect dues
- Elect officers for STAR & YAB
- Plan quarterly activities for the school year from the “focus areas” for STAR.

September Fundraiser

- Work a concession stand at a home event to raise funds.

September (1st Qtr. Focus Area: Responsible on-line behavior)

- 7-12 Assembly on responsible on-line behavior with school district attorney (or other resource/presentation selected by students-school will provide financial support for resource/presentation)

October (2nd Qtr. Focus Area: Anti-drug/alcohol)

- **Red Ribbon Week (October 23rd-31st)**
- **Hand out drug prevention items to each student in grades 7-12 every day of Red Ribbon Week (School provides financial support for resources/presentation)**

November (Community Service)

- **Help with the City Wide Clean Up Day**

January (3rd Qtr. Focus Area: Dating Violence)

- **7-12 Assembly on Dating Violence (SAFE Center or alternate resource/presentation selected by students)**
- **Winter Ball**

March (Spring Fling)

- **Bowling Party (or alternative activity selected by students)**

May (Community Service)

- **Elementary Field Day from 12:45 – 3:00 p.m.**

The “quarter focus areas” would have the financial support of the school during that quarter. The notion would be that the STAR students would work with Josh from Buffalo County Community Partners to develop supporting activities to execute during that quarter of the school year. Josh could function as a leader for the STAR group to help identify resources for the students to use, mobile, and coordinate their efforts. The goal would be to develop student leadership through the sponsor and through Josh’s guidance in addressing the focus areas throughout the year.