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Red Ribbon Campaign 2017

Your Future is Your Key – So Stay Drug Free.

Participation makes a difference – Red Ribbon Campaign 2017.

The Kane County Sheriff's Office is recognizing Red Ribbon Week during October 23 – 31, 2017. The red ribbon is a symbol of an intensive community campaign to raise awareness against and combat alcohol, tobacco, and drug abuse in young adults across the country.

The National Family Partnership (NFP) sponsors Red Ribbon Week, and their 2017 campaign theme is Your Future is Your Key – So Stay Drug Free. The theme was selected by the NFP from student submissions accepted from across the country. The 2017 theme helps educate today's youth on the serious nature that drug abuse has in the family and the community at large.

The purpose of the Red Ribbon Campaign is to present a unified vision and visible front toward the creation of a drug free community. The Kane County Sheriff's Office will coordinate with schools that would like a scheduled presentation on the dangers of tobacco, alcohol, and drug abuse, the consequences of breaking the law, as well as curfew rules and regulations.

In addition, Kane County educators and students are encouraged to get involved in the Red Ribbon Campaign. Students in fifth and sixth grade can express their creative side by making a Red Ribbon Week work of art. Red Ribbon Week artwork may be created in any variety of artistic mediums and include elements of the theme relating to developing an alcohol, tobacco, and drug-free lifestyle. Submitted artwork should be in a format that is no smaller than 8 ½" by 11" (standard paper size) or a larger format size is acceptable. Use your creative side and design a work of art by drawing, paint, collage, graphic design, digital photography, or a mixed medium design, etc. Red Ribbon Week artwork will be exhibited at the Kane County Sheriff's Office.

Red Ribbon Campaign artwork will be accepted the week of October 16, at the Kane County Sheriff's Office between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The Kane County Sheriff's Office is located at 37W755 Illinois Route 38 in St. Charles, Illinois (approximately ¼ mile west of Randall Road and at the intersection of Peck Road).

New in 2017 are two creative Red Ribbon categories for group decorating projects led by an educator at an educational facility.

1. Best Red Ribbon Display – Best group Red Ribbon decoration/design of an interior classroom setting.
2. Sheriff Kramer's Red Ribbon School Spirit Challenge – Best original Red Ribbon decoration/theme of the interior (area) of the school.

The Sheriff's Office will judge the entries and award the student's top artwork/group decorating with a trophy in each of the following categories:

- Best Display of a Drug Free Lifestyle – Single Poster Design
 - Submit Original Artwork the week of October 16, 2017
- Best Red Ribbon Display – Interior Classroom Design
 - Submit an electronic photograph the week of October 16, 2017
- Sheriff's Kramer's Red Ribbon School Spirit Challenge – Interior School Design
 - Submit an electronic photograph the week of October 16, 2017

Following the announcement of the winners, the Kane County Sheriff's Office will host a special presentation to honor the winners (date to be announced).

Schools and parents with home-schooled children that wish to participate in the Red Ribbon Campaign Artwork Exhibition, should contact Mitzi Strike at the Kane County Sheriff's Office via Email (StrikeMitzi@co.kane.il.us or at 630-208-2003) for additional information.

Red Ribbon Campaign Artwork Exhibition Forms can be located on the [Kane County Sheriff's Office Website](#).

Submission Notes -

- All entries must be received by 5:00 p.m., on October 20, 2017.
- Submit electronic entries no later than 5:00 p.m. on October 20, 2017 to:
KaneSheriff@co.kane.il.us