

STUDENT LEADERSHIP SERVICES, INC. (SLS)

Student Leadership Services, Inc. (SLS) develops young leaders who are creating social change. SLS coordinates high school and middle school youth-led prevention groups.

SLS works to encourage young people to live free of alcohol and other drugs, and increase the use of safety belts, while teaching leadership and life skills.

SLS provides training in leadership, organizational development, team building, communication, message marketing, social awareness, asset building and inclusiveness.

SLS provides educational programs, grants, direction, support and training opportunities to more than 600 student-led chapters throughout the state of Michigan. Since its beginning in 1982, Student Leadership Services has trained peers to lead others, reaching both non-drinking, and at-risk, alcohol using/experimenting youth with abstinence as our goal.

Make the first step in preventing destructive decisions in our youth:

JOIN OUR NETWORK TODAY!

Workshops/Trainings

Models for Youth and Adults

Assertiveness
Peer Resistance Skills/Refusal Skills
Listening and Communication
Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drug Education
Health Rocks!
Safety Awareness
Violence Prevention and Bullying
Community Service Projects
Diversity
Conflict Resolution
Accepting Criticism
Accepting Praise
Decision Making
How to Run Meetings
Fundraising
Community Awareness
Leadership Training
Positive Role Modeling
Energizing your Group
Team Building
Parent Workshops
HS Mentors Starting STAND in Middle Schools Training
How to be a Great Advisor
Presentation Skills
Adolescence Development
Asset Building
Mentoring
Peer-to-Peer Education
Healthy Choices
Marijuana, Inhalants and Other Drug Prevention
Life Skills
Building Relationships
Helping a Hurting Friend

"Our STAND Chapter has been fortunate to count on the skills and leadership of SLS as we continue to build our chapter. SLS provides our school with resources and support as we work together promoting a drug free and healthy lifestyle."

-Connie Carroll, O.E. Dunckel M.S.



STAND

Students Taking A New Direction



*Program for 11-14 year olds
Grades 6-8*

*"STAND for something or you will fall for
everything."*

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STAND (STUDENTS TAKING A NEW DIRECTION)

What is STAND?

The STAND program is proven effective to delay and deter the onset of first use. A STAND Chapter is an identifiable group of middle school students assuming major responsibility for their own leadership and facilitated by a parent-teacher team.

Chapters meet regularly addressing the five components in a variety of ways. Parent Involvement and support is structured into the program and is essential to building positive relationships and effective communication between students and parents.

Program Components:

I. Skill Development

This component is designed to enhance social competencies that, in turn will decrease acceptance of and involvement in alcohol and other drug use. Methods include focused activities, role-playing and rehearsal.

II. Community Service

The component of service to others has at its roots the fostering of satisfaction that comes with assuming responsibility and seeing it through. This component provides opportunity for students to experience the rewards of meaningful participation in commitment to others.

Many schools require students to have a certain amount of community service hours and offer scholarships for completing the hours.

III. Parent Involvement

STAND chapters will empower parents to create a prevention climate in their homes. Goals include helping parents understand the developmental level of their middle school child; how to appropriately respond to thoughts, feelings and behaviors of their child; how to talk with their child about drugs; and how to reinforce/practice refusal skills at home.

IV. Social Activities (Chemical Free)

Fun is a key motivator in the middle school STAND program. With the assistance of the parent-teacher advisor team, students plan and enjoy activities that draw other students to the group and are rewards for their efforts. This provides an important opportunity for high-risk youth to interact in a positive way with their pro-social peers and to have fun without using alcohol, tobacco or other drugs.

V. Safety Awareness

Students will be able to assess the need for awareness, develop an action plan, execute the plan and evaluate outcomes following their safety campaign. A key element to this component is student action; learning through active participation with real situations and seeing their efforts create a change.

STAND is a program that can be incorporated into student council, student leadership groups, national junior honor society and any youth-led leadership group within a middle school.

“STAND builds a solid reputation as a positive social group which focuses strongly on community service outside of school as well as educating fellow students within our school.”

-Karen Weaver, Marist Academy

What SLS has to offer

Middle School Youth-Led Groups:

Annual Leadership Conferences

Trainings/Workshops

Media/Press Opportunities

Seminars

Leadership Institutes

Networking

Grant and Fundraising Opportunities

Awards/Certificates

Service Learning Opportunities

How to join:

Became part of the largest youth-led network in Michigan.

Call 248-706-0757 to get more information