

Pledge Together

Remembering ADAM Inc. Volunteer Drug Screening Program ©

Objective: *While participating in Pledge Together, student participants will demonstrate a more positive attitude toward drug free living and will report using drugs less frequently.*

How Does It Work?

Pledge Together is a volunteer drug screening program. This program is a substance abuse prevention tool for students, designed to provide encouragement, guidance, and positive reinforcement to be drug free. Students in the designated grade levels are eligible to join. The program is voluntary and no action is taken toward students who choose not to participate. Students who join this program are encouraged to make a pledge to live a drug free lifestyle.

In order for students to join the program, the student and their parent/legal guardian will sign a consent form giving their permission to join. The parent/legal guardian will also sign a “Release Hold Harmless Agreement”. This agreement releases Remembering ADAM, the school district and all entities from any legal action. *See attached forms.*

Participating students will sign a pledge card and poster that states their commitment NOT to use tobacco, alcohol, and other illegal drugs. Students will keep the pledge card, and the poster will hang inside the school. Each student will receive a Remembering ADAM magnet. Hanging this magnet inside their locker will reinforce their commitment to the program. Parents will receive a Remembering ADAM magnet that states “My child belongs to Remembering ADAM”. Displaying this magnet at home will reinforce the student’s pledge in the home environment.

Participating student names are mixed together and at random days and times throughout the school year a Remembering ADAM school appointed advisor will randomly draw a student name. At that time the student will be notified, and testing will be conducted within the same school day. Once the drug screening process is completed and the student has received a PASS result on their drug screen he/she will receive an award certificate and a tee shirt which states “Remembering ADAM” over the front left pocket and on the back “A +” “Drug Screen” “Passed”. It is the choice of the student to accept/wear the shirt. The Remembering ADAM school appointed advisor will contact the parent/legal guardian by phone to inform them their child was drug screened and the results. For more information please read the enclosed *Pledge Together* Remembering ADAM Volunteer Drug Screening Procedure.

Students who are taking medications are eligible to participate in the program. It is the responsibility of the parent/legal guardian to provide the Remembering ADAM school appointed advisor with a list of medications. All Remembering ADAM school appointed advisors have been provided with a list of medications developed by a pharmacist that could result in a FAILED screen.

Remembering ADAM has developed an anonymous survey with questions concerning usage, interest, risk, and disapproval of tobacco, chewing tobacco, alcohol, marijuana and other illegal drugs. On the parent/legal guardian consent *form B*, you may check the box if you do not want your child to participate in the survey; if the box is not checked your child will automatically participate in the survey. A copy of the survey is on file at your school district.

This program differs from other prevention programs because it is an environmental approach to substance abuse prevention. An environmental approach creates change among a large number of individuals. The student's pledge to living a drug free lifestyle could create change among anyone who is involved with the student, which may include family, peers, teachers and communities.

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