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To: School Districts considering the Remembering Adam Club

My name is Eric Kostic and I am the Principal at Saltsburg Middle High School. The reason for this letter is to highly recommend the Remembering Adam Club. It is a drug free program for young people that I strongly believe in. Here's why!

- It offers students a viable reason to say "no" to drugs. For example, "I can't do drugs because I am part of the club and don't want a positive test."
- It offers fun and exciting events to young people; showing them that they can have a good time without getting drunk or high.
- It develops trust between each club member and their parents. Parents come to believe in their children through this program.
- If a student tests positive, a positive, rehabilitative approach is taken and not a negative turn your back approach.
- Debbie Fowler is in it for the right reason, SHE CARES! She is also supportive, helpful and available to the school whenever we need her.

The screening (or testing) part of this program is also a great aspect of this club. The Remembering Adam urine screenings are done once a month. Random selections of 3-5 students are chosen and one individual at a time is privately called to the nurse's office. In private, the urine sample collected is immediately tested by the nurse, but in the student's presence. With negative results (we have never had a positive test), the students are praised for being positive role models and leaders in our school and are given a Remembering Adam tee shirt. The guidance counselor then places a call to the parents to inform them that their child is drug free.

In closing, I highly recommend this program to your school. We have approximately 50 7, 8 and 9 graders enrolled and I feel confident that they are drug free. I also love the feeling that the Remembering Adam Club is helping us keep our young people safe and healthy.

Sincerely,


Eric M. Kostic