

TAWCH®

Program Name

Tawch – Think About What Can Happen®

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Purpose

To engage students in discussions and activities that emphasize the significance of *thinking about what can happen* when they find themselves in threatening situations or when they are enticed to engage in harmful or hazardous activities that could alter their lives in a negative manner for a long time; possibly forever. Students are informed on making a wise choice.

Program Goals

- To be used in communities and schools, providing activities that caution students during peak accident-prone times, such as prom season, senior year activities, near school breaks and holidays, beginning of the school year or close to the end of the school year.
- To give students an alternative to school suspension by attending a Tawch® class and participating in the ripple effect activity.
- To hold Tawch® pep rallies at summer and track-out camps at the various community locations, so that students will live out this behavior not only during school hours or in school activities, but at home and in other settings.
- To make Tawch® a household word with a known definition. “It’s not an acronym! It’s a word!”
Tawch® /tôk/, verb:
 - ¹ To be intentional about thinking about what can happen.
 - ² To have an awareness of situations and surroundings.
 - ³ To take action; making a wise choice to make the situation better;
usually used in conjunction with talk.

¹ She tawched and now the situation is better. ² He was tawching and decided not to go.

Mission

- Encourage healthy behaviors and attitudes among young people using Tawch® ideas and activities.
- Recognize students who exemplify and promote healthy behaviors at a Tawch® Ceremony.
- Recognize adults at a Tawch® Ceremony for their on-going support of a young person who desire to Tawch®.

Sustain/Retain

- Present various classroom activities such as:
 - Plastering removable Tawch® circles everywhere at school
 - Participating in the Ripple Effect activity
 - Having a Tawch® pep rally at the beginning of the school year
 - Having Tawch® t-shirt day

