

Hi. My name is Kris Eidem. I will be your son or daughter's DARE instructor this year. I have been teaching DARE since 1991 and I LOVE IT! I am very excited to be part of OLG's efforts to keep your children healthy and safe.

DARE has been around since 1983. It is taught all over the world primarily to 5th and 6th graders and there are elementary and high school curriculums as well. I will be in your student's classroom for ten weeks. They will learn about the dangers and health issues of alcohol and drug use; primarily tobacco and marijuana. We talk about what influences affect their choices and how to make the best choices possible. They will do this through role playing, high school role models, and our work in class. Everyone has an opportunity to earn a DARE lion by writing an essay about why they choose to be drug and alcohol free.

I like to give them additional opportunities receive "extra credit." They can do this by bringing in newspaper or magazine articles related to our classes, participation in class, research on the internet, extra credit homework assignments and making the extra effort in their daily work (in the workbook.) Everyone earns stickers, and we learn a lot from each other.

I am very happy to continue my collaboration with your school, the fantastic teachers and the students I will be meeting this year. If you have any questions or concerns you may call me or email me. You may also contact your teacher and we will try to answer you.

I will begin classes next week. Our graduation will be on a Wednesday in mid-April after morning mass. You are invited to the graduation and we will get a specific date as we get closer to April.

Sincerely,

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