

Lincoln County Turning Point Coalition

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Coalition Priorities:

1. Underage Drinking Prevention
2. Youth Bullying Prevention
3. Rx Drug Abuse Prevention

About Us...

The Prague Turning Point Coalition has been in existence for just over a year. Shortly after becoming established and determining the health priorities facing their community they received a Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities grant through the Oklahoma Department of Mental Health. The Prague Safe and Drug Free Communities program focuses on bullying prevention and increasing parental knowledge of underage drinking.

The coalition is in the planning stages of the 3rd session of Prague Parent University. Prague Parent University was created to help parents learn how to support their children's social, emotional and physical development while emphasizing the importance of parent-child communication. The event was open to parents of children attending Prague Public Schools. Local banks donated dinner to all participants. Workshops included: Internet safety, Youth and Rx Drug Abuse, What Kids Need to Succeed (Developmental Assets), Bullying 101, Raising Money Smart Kids and Family Finances 101 and What Do You Know About Underage Drinking.

The Prague Choose to Win Camp was held in June 2010. The "Choose to Win" summer youth camp targeted students entering the 3rd – 5th grades with High School students serving as Team Leaders and Mentors. Approximately 55 campers were in attendance. The camp was created in response to growing community concerns surrounding issues such as childhood obesity, personal fitness and youth bullying prevention, while offering youth an unique opportunity for promoting wellness, lifelong physical activity and positive dietary habits. During the Nutrition session the campers filled out a survey, the total pre-test scores from the camp were 286; and the post test scores were 416.

Partners:

City of Prague	Beachler's Grocery Store
Prague City Police	Vision Bank
Banc First	COCAA
Prague Community Hospital	Lincoln County Red Cross
Lincoln County Health Department	Prague Chamber of Commerce
Prague Schools	A.G.R.I.P
Lincoln County Area Prevention & Resource Center	Local Churches
	Local Community Members

Key Activities:

- ◆ Parent University
- ◆ Town Hall Meeting
- ◆ Choose to Win Summer Camp
- ◆ SADF Schools and Communities Grant
- ◆ 21st Century Grant
- ◆ Peers Making Peace
- ◆ Ice Cream Social
- ◆ Tobacco Education

Significant Outcomes:

- ◆ Choose to Win Camp, 1 week long with an average of 55 kids in attendance every day.
- ◆ Harlem Ambassadors Basketball Community Fundraiser. The Prague Turning Point Community Coalition helped host the basketball game, and raised over \$6,000 dollars with an anonymous donor matching the \$6,000. The money will be used for youth camps, community prevention efforts, community education, and community coalition events.
- ◆ Prague Turning Point Coalition was awarded the TSET-Tobacco grant for Lincoln & Seminole County. They were awarded \$75,000 dollars for the first year.
- ◆ Prague Turning Point was named a Finalist of the 2010 Champions of Health Award from Blue Cross/ Blue Shield
- ◆ Prague Turning Point was nominated a Community Champion at last years annual Turning Point Conference.

