

# WE ARE HERE FOR YOU

## Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General

This is a different kind of school year for many students. Whether in the classroom, online, or a mix of each, we are here to support you with resources to help children stay safe, healthy, and focused on learning.



This year, the mental health of children needs to be a top priority. Honest, open conversations about mental health will make this school year better for our young people. **Students can share concerns and** 



**report tips directly to the Safe2Say Something anonymous hotline and crisis center, which operates 24/7.** The 2nd annual Safe2Say Something report revealed the majority of nearly 50,000 tips received were about mental health, and those tips increased during the Covid-19 health emergency.



**1-844-SAF2SAY** 

SAFE2SAYPA.ORG

This year, our Public Engagement Outreach (OPE) Specialists are continuing to work closely with principals and teachers, as well as directly with groups of parents, to reach Pennsylvania students, especially about the **pressures they encounter online.** Programs serve students at all grade levels and are available virtually. To book a presentation for your group call (717) 772-0907; or visit www.attorneygeneral.gov/ope-new.

Programming addresses Cyber-Bullying, Mental Health and Online Safety, as well as the dangers that Opioids and Drug Diversion presents to students. Opioids come in many different forms, impacting the lives of everyone from high school sports stars, to nurses, to people who've been injured at work. These drugs are often stolen from someone with a legitimate prescription.

The number one source of drugs for teenagers is home medicine cabinets.

We are here to support you both inside the classroom and at home, to help students this school year.

ANNUAL CONTESTS

This fall, students are invited to participate in two annual contests we offer every school year:

- 24th Annual Drug-Free Calendar Contest for fifth graders
  - 2nd Annual Safe2Say Something Contest for high school students

Please see guidelines attached and listed on our website, www.attorneygeneral.gov/fall2020





Every year, we invite and encourage all **fifth-graders** from across Pennsylvania to submit their artwork for consideration in the **annual Drug-Free Calendar Contest**. Please pass along this information to your fifth-grade teachers, and most importantly to all fifth-grade parents asking them to have their children create an **original illustration** that includes a **drug-free message** of their choice (example: "The Best Me is Drug Free"), in addition to acknowledging mental health and the challenges of COVID-19, if desired.

# Entries must adhere to the following guidelines in order to be eligible:

- Drawings must be on white 8 ½ x 11 inch paper with a landscape orientation (longer side on the top and bottom)
- The use of copyrighted or trademarked brand names and images is prohibited
- Students may use paints, pens, pencils, crayons or any other a drawing instrument. Glitter and other adhesive materials are prohibited
- Any entries with misspelled words will be disqualified
- Each entry must include an entry form
- All entries must be mailed to the address below, postmarked by October 23, 2020

#### Office of Attorney General Calendar Contest 16th Floor, Strawberry Square Harrisburg, PA 17120

All entries become property of the Office of Attorney General upon receipt. (Artwork cannot be returned.)

All winners' teachers and parents will be notified via email by November 16, 2020

#### QUESTIONS? contest@attorneygeneral.gov 717-574-5794

The Office of Attorney General staff will selected 13 entries chosen to be part of the 2021 Drug Free Calendar. The students will receive a \$529 monetary contribution to their PA 529 College Savings Program. The PA 529 Investment Plan helps families save for education and is easy to set up online. A 529 college savings plan is a specialized savings account operated by the Commonwealth. Savings grow tax-free as long as the withdrawals are for qualified education expenses. For more information on 529 Plans, visit http://www.pa529.com/.

STUDENT:	STUDENT'S GENDER:
SCHOOL:	
SCHOOL ADDRESS:	
	COUNTY:
TEACHER	
PARENT:	
PARENT	
STUDENT:	STUDENT'S GENDER:
SCHOOL:	
SCHOOL ADDRESS:	
SCHOOL PHONE NUMBER:	COUNTY:
TEACHER:	
TEACHER EMAIL/PHONE:	
PARENT:	
PARENT EMAIL/PHONE:	

# SAFE SAY SOMETHING DIGITAL POSTER CONTEST

# **HEY HIGH SCHOOL KIDS!**

Put your creativity to the test by creating a digital poster to win cool prizes and the chance to have your poster displayed on the Office of Attorney General websites, social media platforms, and future digital and print marketing.



Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places for each high school grade 9 through 12

1st Prize: GoPro Hero8
2nd Prize: Amazon Fire HD 10 Tablet
3rd Prize: \$50 Amazon Gift Card



HOW IT WORKS

## Step 1

Develop and design your own unique message about Safe2Say Something, highlighting the benefits and what the program means to you and your classmates. Be bold with your design, tying in the challenges this school year presents and how Safe2Say Something is a helpful and positive resource for you and your friends.

## Step 2

Create a digital poster. (See website for specifics and instructions)

**Step 3** Submit your poster by November 20, 2020

## Rules and information can be found at: www.safe2saypa.org/poster-contest



The Office of Public Engagement offers a variety of programming for seniors, adults, educators, students and children. Our presentations empower the public by equipping them with knowledge and information to prevent harm. Audiences will learn how to make informed decisions to better protect themselves, and their family and friends.

We have specialists in every corner of the Commonwealth who are prepared to give presentations to any Pennsylvania facility.

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#### For students, parents and teachers:

- Rx Drug Abuse
- Realities of Substance Abuse
- 🗕 Vaping
- Digital Citizenship
- Bullying and Cyber Bullying
- Social Media 101

#### For seniors, communities and non-profits:

- Combatting Veteran Fraud and Identity Theft
- Romance Scams
- Protect Yourself from COVID-19 Scams and Fraud
- Prevent and Resolve Senior Bullying
- Opioids: What You Need to Know
- Senior Scams Prevention
- Top 10 Scams Against Seniors
- Protect Yourself From the Top 10 Scams
- Identity Theft



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