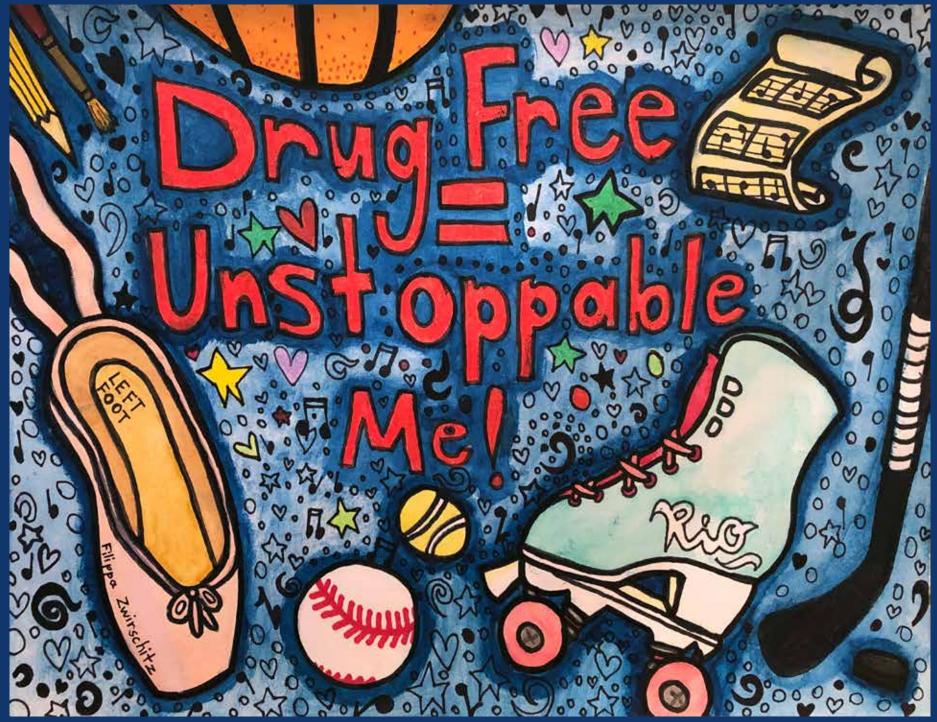
# 2021 PENNSYLVANIA JOSH SHAPIRO, ATTORNEY GENERAL OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL DRUG-FREE CALENDAR



Artist: Filippa Zwirschitz, Home School, Cumberland County



Attorney General Josh Shapiro with past Office of Attorney General Drug-Free Calendar winners

This is the 24th anniversary of the Office of Attorney General's Drug-Free Calendar Contest. The ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has disrupted so many parts of our school experience all across the Commonwealth. I'm pleased that despite these challenges, we were able to hold our annual contest and have students from all over Pennsylvania submit calendar designs throughout National Substance Use Prevention Month, which is recognized throughout October. We selected thirteen winners from a remarkable pool of entries from children all across the Commonwealth – but this year, I'm especially thankful to all of the teachers and students who participated, especially in a time when it is so difficult to feel connected to their school communities. Thank you.

The annual calendar contest is about more than just celebrating students' artwork. This campaign carries a very serious message about drug use prevention. Our Commonwealth is in the midst of a terrible heroin and opioid crisis, one that has only been exacerbated during the COVID-19 pandemic. Addressing this epidemic is my number one priority as your Attorney General and requires a wide array of efforts, including preventative education. Children must learn about the dangers of substance abuse and how they can protect themselves from the dangers of drugs, alcohol, and tobacco.

Due to the pandemic, the OAG has migrated its in-school programs to a virtual format; it was important to us to keep providing these critical services and to be an ally in the effort to help prevent substance use. If you are interested in learning about these virtual resources, please visit attorneygeneral.gov or call 1-800-525-7642.

Thank you all so much for this year's submissions. I'm deeply impressed that even in the most difficult of times, you were able to help make this calendar an exciting work of art.

The Office of Attorney General offers educational programs to help schools and parents empower children with knowledge to keep them safe. Due to the pandemic, the OAG has migrated its in school programs to a virtual format. From internet safety to drug abuse prevention to bullying, these unique programs feature customized lesson plans, interactive learning activities, and powerful messages that speak directly to students. The programs are all free-of-charge and OAG specialists are available to provide support upon request.

#### Behind the Smoke: Vaping is No Joke

Despite warnings from the medical community, school policies, and state and federal laws aimed at stopping youth from vaping, the usage of e-cigarettes among middle and high school students continues to rise. This program provides eye-opening facts about e-cigarettes, and warns parents about the dangers of vaping and best practices to prevent and stop vaping use.

#### Bullying

A program that aims to change the way middle and high school students think about bullying, cyberbullying and digital citizenship. No longer a push on the playground or a whisper in the hall, bullying has been transformed by the internet and now includes texting, social media, and gaming. This presentation focuses on helping students stay safe and smart while online.

#### **Digital Citizenship**

Digital Citizenship is a program for grades 8-12 that explains what is expected of you while online and appropriate use of social media. We explore the consequences of improper use of the internet, dangers online, cyberbullying and your "digital footprint." We all need to be good digital citizens as part of our cyber community.

#### **Opioids: What You Need to Know**

Pennsylvania continues to fight a public health and public safety battle against the heroin and opioid epidemic. In 2016, 4,642 Pennsylvanians died from overdoses – a 37 percent increase from the year before. That number rose to over 5,400 overdose deaths in 2017. While we saw a decrease in 2018, we are still losing 12 Pennsylvanians every day from

overdose. This presentation will discuss what Opiates are, why citizens are at risk, proper storage and disposal of Opioids, and explaining what Narcan is. This presentation also discusses what PA is doing regarding the Opioid crisis.

#### Social Media 101: Parents/Teachers

This presentation gives parents and teachers a foundational education on understanding the social media sites that children use and how to keep them safe while using them. Parents and teachers will learn how to navigate and learn how to enable the security features on the "apps," along with recognizing the importance of knowing their child's passwords. Monitoring children's behavior and interactions on the internet is very critical in today's world. Children are being targeted by online predators and cyber bullying at an alarming rate.

#### **Truth & Choices**

A drug program for middle and high school students. Shane shares his true story of hard choices and near-death experiences due to drugs and alcohol. This is a reality check for all students and will open a unique dialogue about the realities of substance abuse.

#### **Consequences - RX Drug Abuse**

This program focuses on the growing problem of prescription drug abuse among teenagers. The presentation features the story of a young man whose dependence on prescription drugs led him down an unexpected path of destruction.



To request more information or a speaker from the Office of Attorney General please contact the Office of Public Engagement at **publicengagement@attorneygeneral.gov** or **1-800-525-7642.** 



# **JANUARY 2021**

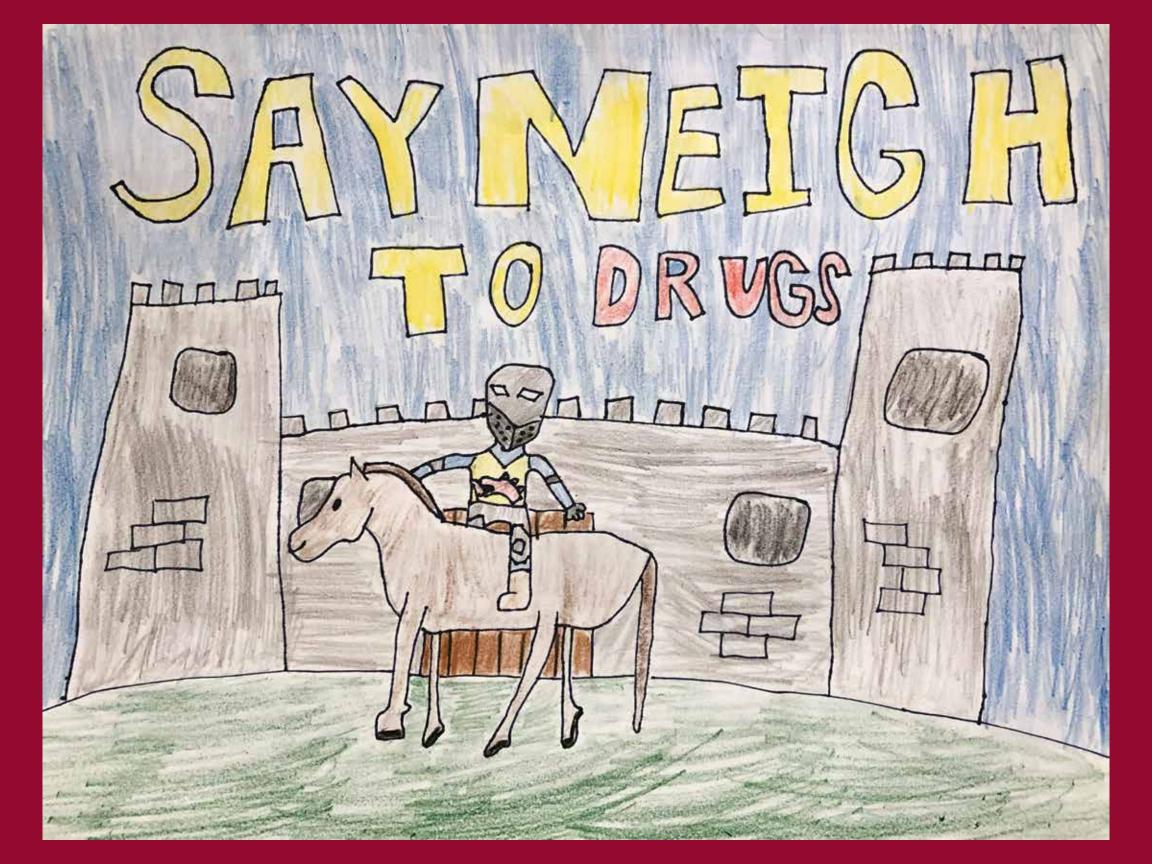
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### **FEBRUARY 2021**

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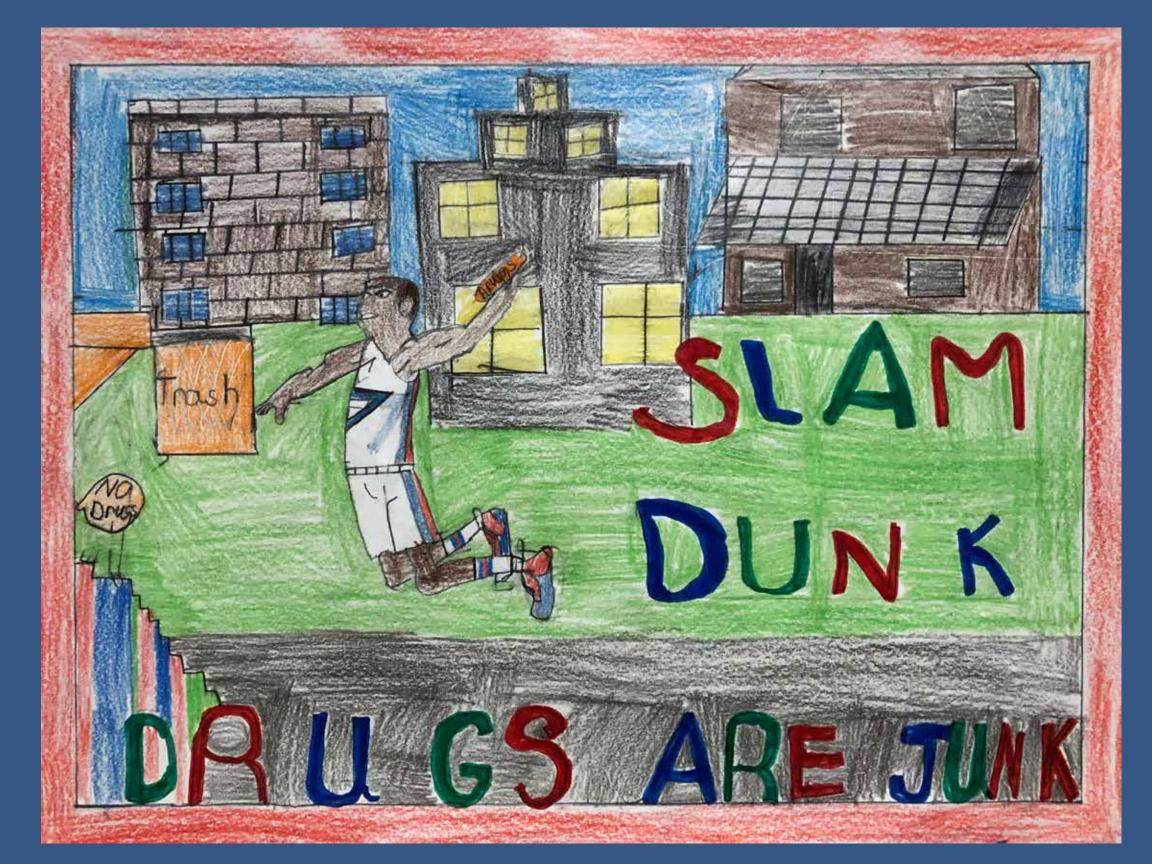


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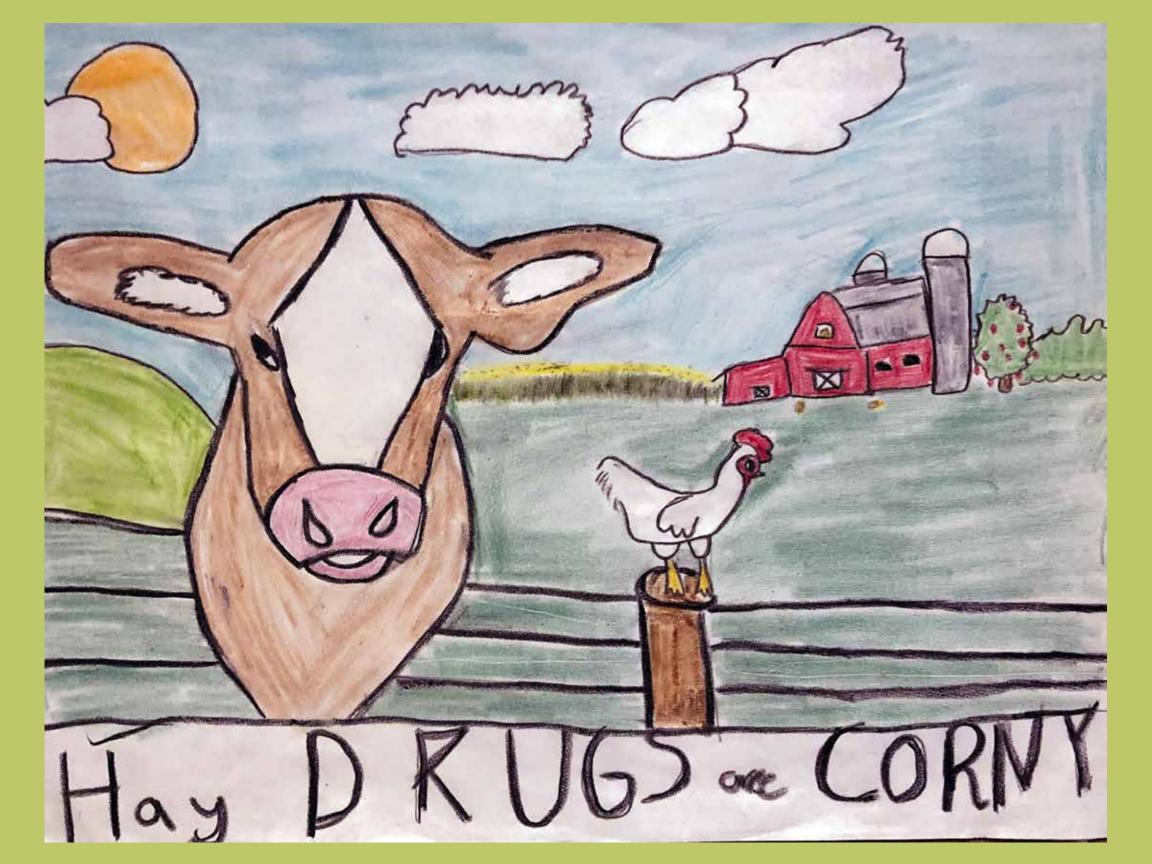
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Artist: Jeffery Ickes, Chestnut Ridge Middle School,	28	1	2	3	4	5	6
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## **APRIL 2021**

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Artist: <b>Reagan Stallman,</b> Forbes Road School, Fulton County	28	29	30	31	1 April Fool's Day	2	3
	4 Passover Ends at Nightfall Easter	5	6	7	8	9	10
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Artist: <b>Isabella Glover,</b> Commonwealth Charter Academy, Fayette County	25	26	27	28	29	30	1
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	<b>9</b> Mother's Day	10	11	12	13	14	15
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### **JUNE 2021**

Artist: <b>Amélie Staron,</b> Saints Simon and	
Jude School, Chester County	

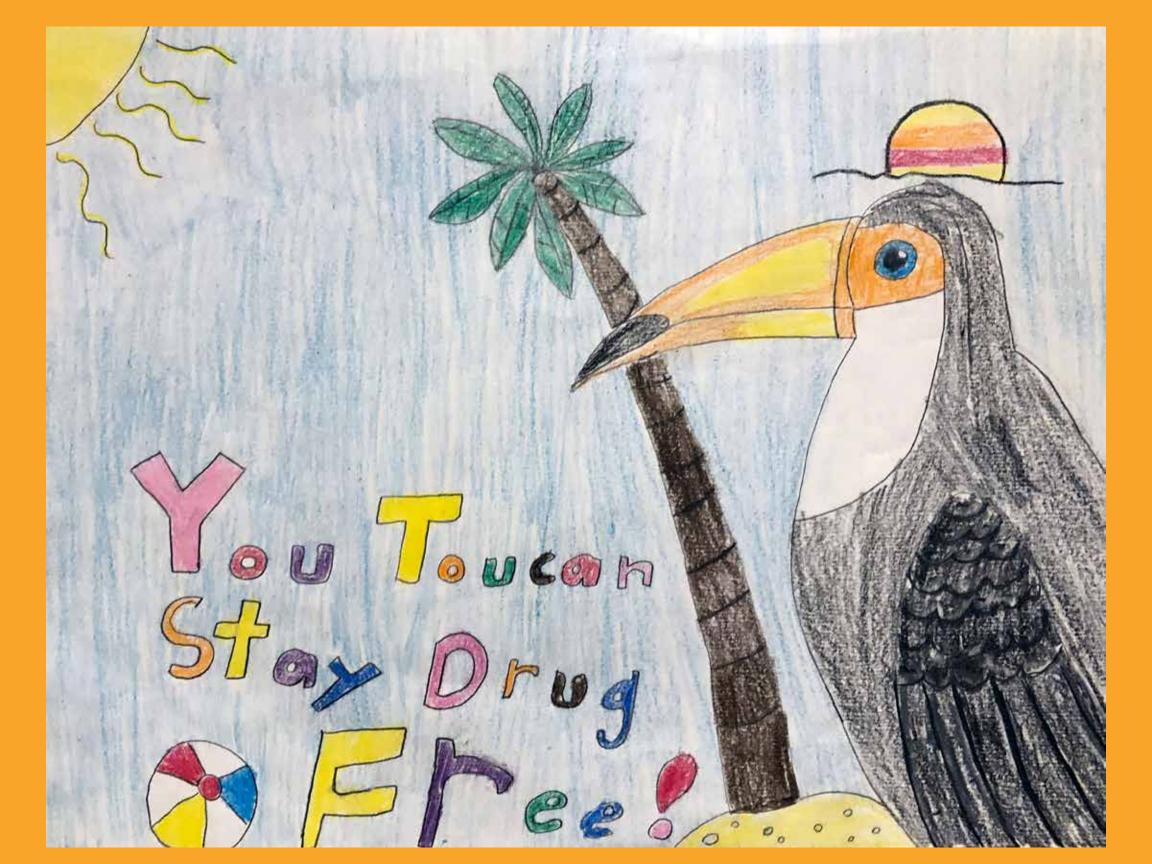
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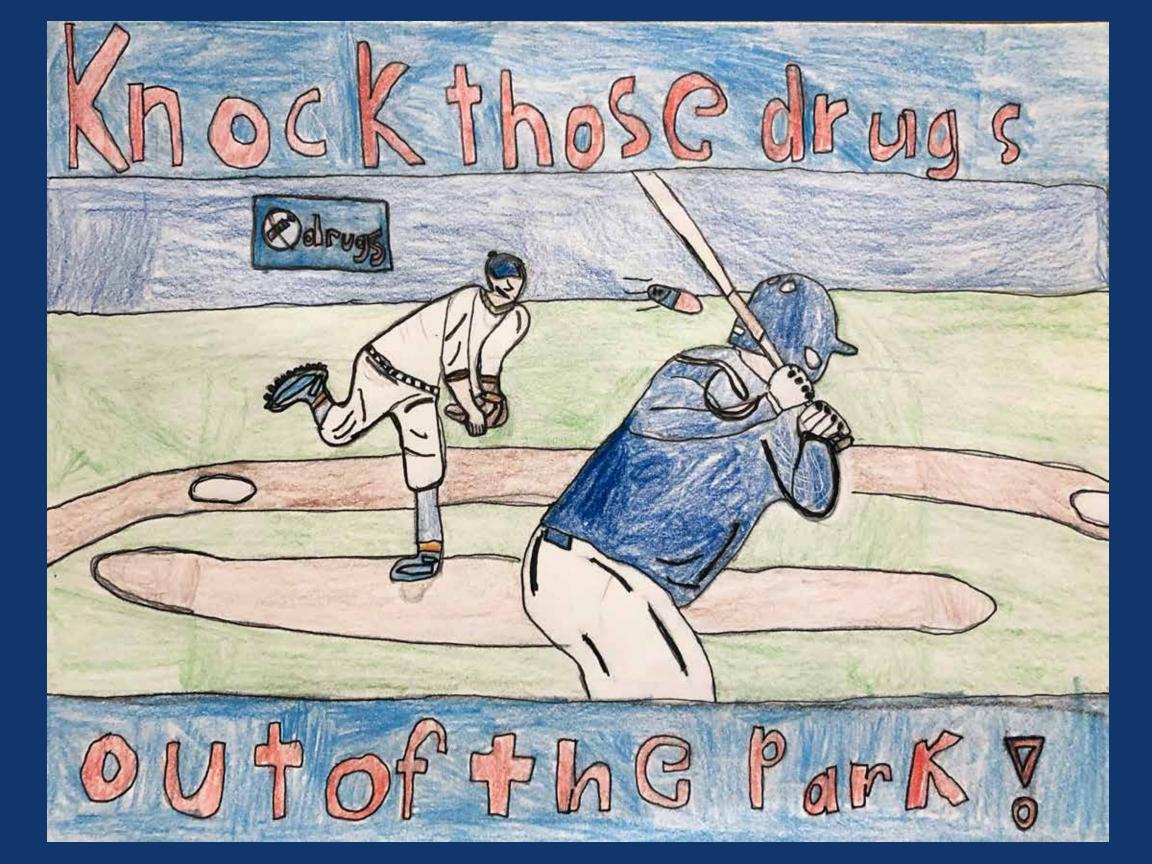
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	20 First Day of Summer Father's Day	21	22	23	24	25	26
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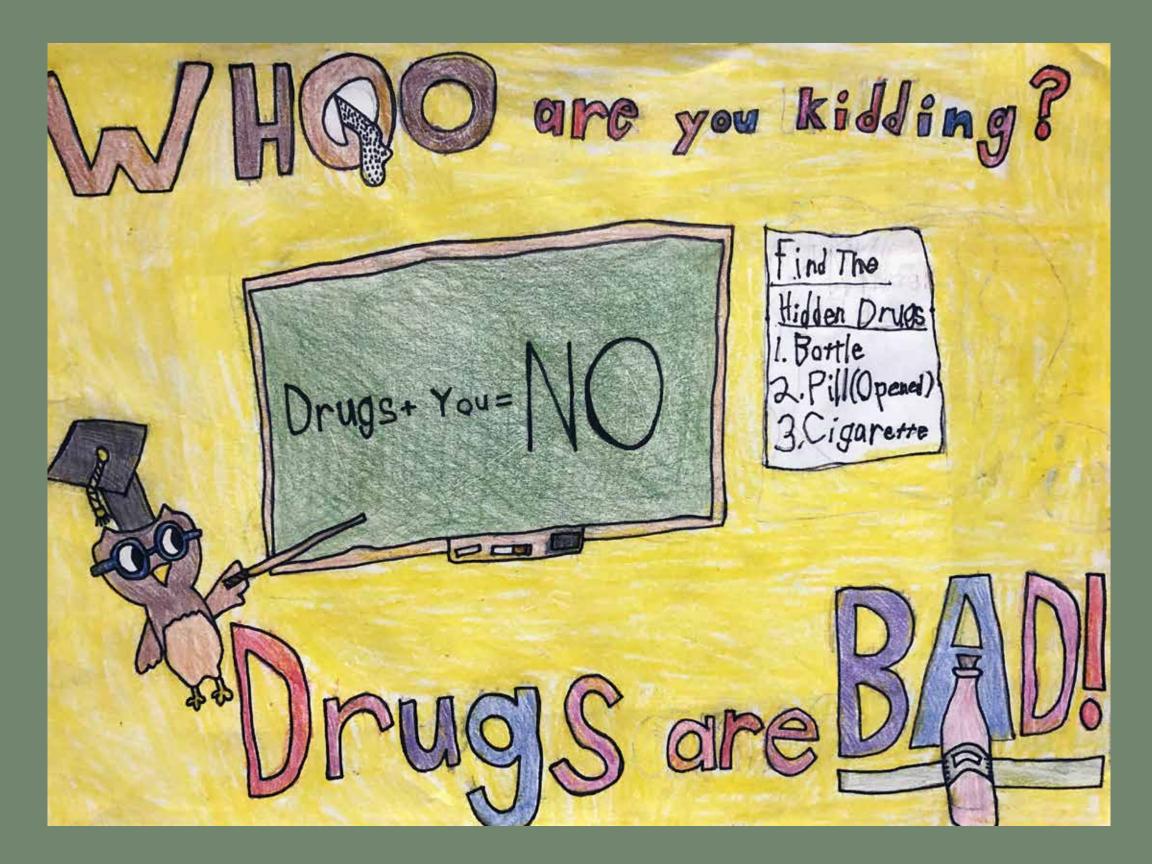
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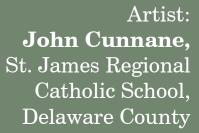
### **AUGUST 2021**

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Artist: Nathaniel Mohney, Paxtonia Elementary School,	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Dauphin County	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
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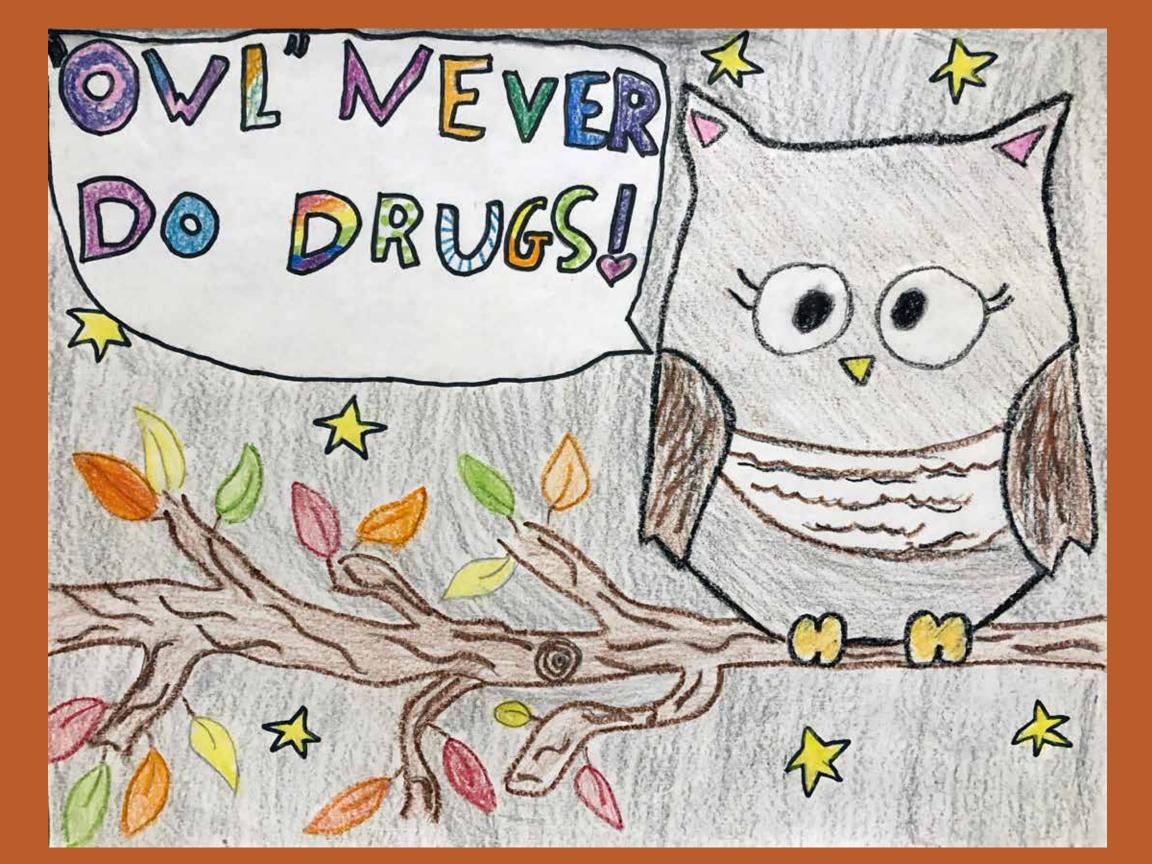


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### **OCTOBER 2021**

Artist: **Mary Solga,** Blue Mountain Elementary East, Schuylkill County

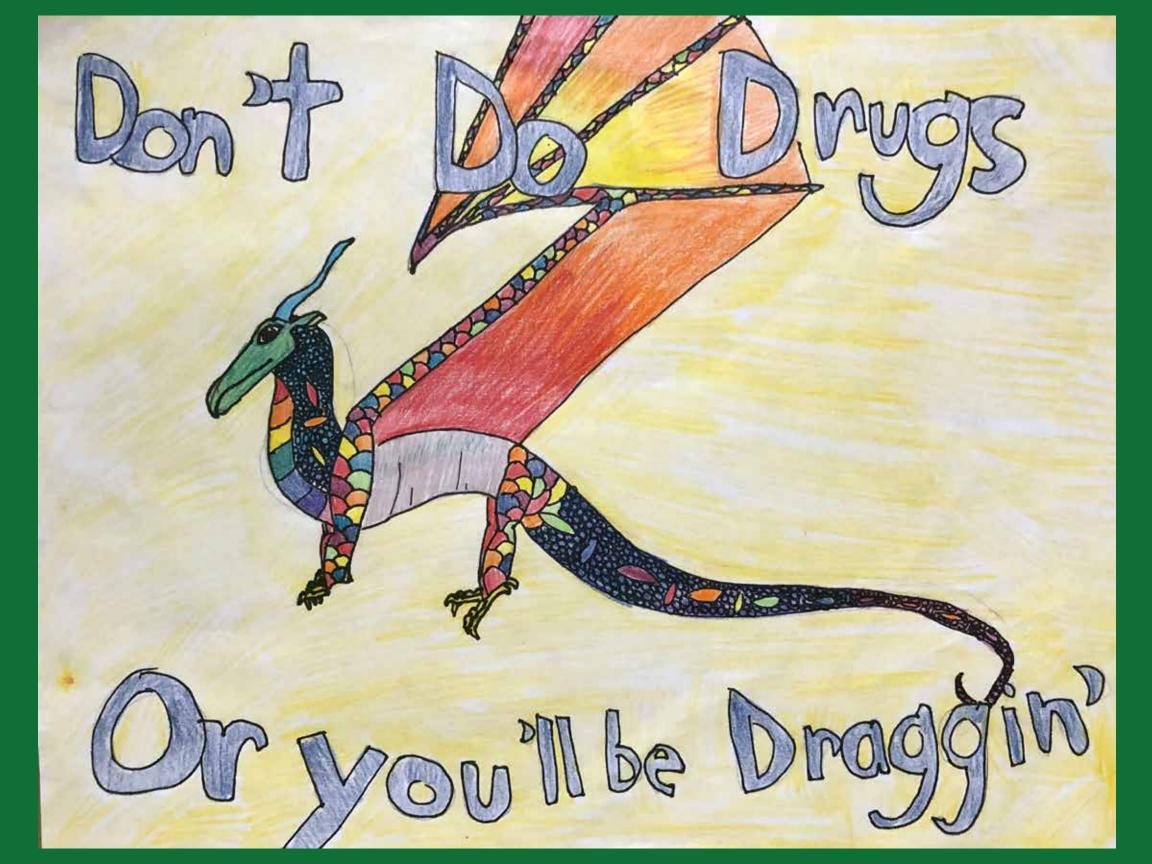


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	31 Halloween	1	2	3	4	5	6



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<b>7</b> Daylight Saving Time Ends	8	9	10	11 Veterans Day	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 Thanksgiving Day	26	27
28 Hanukkah Begins at Sunset	29	30	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11



### DECEMBER 2021

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Artist: <b>Cheyan Bashjian,</b> Reamstown Elementary, Lancaster County	28	29	30	1	2	3	4
	5	6 Hanukkah Ends at Nightfall	7	8	9	10	11
	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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