

RRR Program Overview

RRR is a multimedia, non-fiction curriculum that is uniquely designed to focus on providing accurate and age-appropriate information about alcohol and tobacco, marijuana, as well as steroids, over-the-counter (OTC) prescription drugs, heroin and the potential consequences from use of these substances.

- The purpose of the school-based prevention program is to have a brief, universal, classroom-based program that impacts a change in attitudes and behaviors by providing accurate information, reviewing consequences and reducing youth use.
- The lessons use context-based videos, print resources and embrace a social work approach of the Mutual Aid Model designed to enhance the discussions and activities where peers can learn from each other under the guidance of an adult facilitator.
- **Refuse, Remove, Reasons** is listed on the National Registry of Evidence Based Programs and Practices (NREPP) and the New York State Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services (OASAS) Registry of Evidence-Based Programs and Strategies.
- **Focus** on providing accurate and age-appropriate information about alcohol and tobacco, marijuana, as well as steroids, over-the-counter (OTC) and prescription drugs, heroin and the potential consequences from use of these substances.
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Components for Classroom Curriculum

- Five video-based in-class lessons accessed through the Internet website
 - Each video is followed by 6 to 9 focused questions that provide the opportunity for a guided discussion to decrease favorable attitudes, to practice refusal and assertiveness skills and to integrate the information in the presence of a trained facilitator and positive peer group.
 - Each activity is 10-15 minutes and has a printable worksheet.
 - Activities reinforce the lesson objectives and provide additional opportunities to focus on healthy decision-making.
- Three homework videos and assignments
 - o For the first three lessons, the session ends with the homework video viewed in class
 - One printable reflection page to be completed for homework
- Fact sheet with current research and data for each substance
- A detailed, step by step facilitator guide designed to provide maximum uniformity in curriculum implementation.
- Three supplemental videos with discussion questions are included to continue the learning
- Parent segments include 13 videos, facts, research, and questions to foster conversations about the topics at home.

Research outcomes*

- Decreased getting drunk from alcohol
- Increased perceived risk of drug use
- Decreased social norms and acceptance of drugs
- Increased perception about negative consequences of drug use

*This information is from the 2015 research will be published in summer 2017. For earlier research, please see 2012 report found on both the RRR and the CWK websites.