

### Safe and Drug-free High School Campuses

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### Purpose/Goals

- OUSD Strategic Plan: Safe, Welcoming Schools
  - Strategy 1: Provide information to students, staff and parents on current safety issues, such as cyber-crime, bullying and drug/alcohol abuse.
  - Focus trainings on proactive strategies for identifying and eliminating potential problems.
- High School principals have requested other methods and strategies to support this goal.

# Drug Usage on High School Campuses

- ▶ National Data-*Monitoring the Future* (Research Study)
  - 50,000 students surveyed
  - Marijuana usage increasing
  - Perceived risk of use is decreasing
- State of California-California Student Survey
  - 14,000 students surveyed
  - Underestimated usage
  - 75% of California 11th graders report using at least one illegal drug

OUSD-Healthy Kids Survey

- 3,410 high school students surveyed
- 9th and 11<sup>th</sup> graders surveyed

### Aeries Discipline Data High School 2007-2010

•	Possession of Tobacco	109
•	Smoking	139
•	Drug Related	170
•	Look-a-Like	1
•	Possession of Lighter/Matches	148
•	Possession of Alcohol	62
•	Possession of Drugs	203
•	Possession of Alcohol/Drugs for Sale	2
•	Furnishing-Alcohol/Drugs	26
•	Drug Paraphernalia	125
•	Use of Alcohol/Drugs	259
•	Selling of Alcohol/Drugs	22
	Total	<u>1,266</u>

#### Interventions

Support provided to students and families

- Curriculum: Research validated programs
  - Too Good for Drugs (grades 2–6)
  - Project Alert (grades 7–8)
  - Health (grade 9)
  - STAND assemblies
  - Red Ribbon Week
  - Campus Supervision
  - Counseling/Parent conferences
  - Community based organizations
- Suspension per District Discipline Guidelines
- Mandatory Expulsion per Education Code

## Additional Strategy Under Consideration Canine Detection Services



- Requested by our High School Principals
- Community feedback
- Other school districts

### Education Code 48902(b): Canine Detection Services/Service Providers

- Requires local law enforcement notification
- The primary role of the service provider is prevention
- GOAL:

No illegal substances on participating campuses

## OUSD Board Policy BP 5145.12(b) Use of Trained Dogs

- In an effort to keep the schools free of drugs and explosive devices, the District may use specially trained non-aggressive dogs to sniff out and alert staff to the presence of substances prohibited by law or District policy.
- The dogs may sniff the air around lockers, desks, bags, items or vehicles on District property, vehicles in transit to or from District property or events, or at District-sponsored events as long as they are not allowed to sniff any person. Items shall not be sniffed if a person is close by.
- The above inspections shall be unannounced and may be made at the discretion of the Superintendent or designee.
- Students and parents/guardians shall be informed of this policy at the beginning of the school year.

### Program Details

- OUSD Comprehensive High Schools, Richland Continuation High School and Community Day School (CDS)
- Students and parents/guardians shall be informed, either through student handbooks or by separate written notification, of the possibility of random searches
- Site administrator training
- Student assemblies
- Service provider schedule visits

### **Next Steps**

- Board discussion
- Weekly updates
- September Board consideration/action on pilot program
  - Service provider will be in attendance