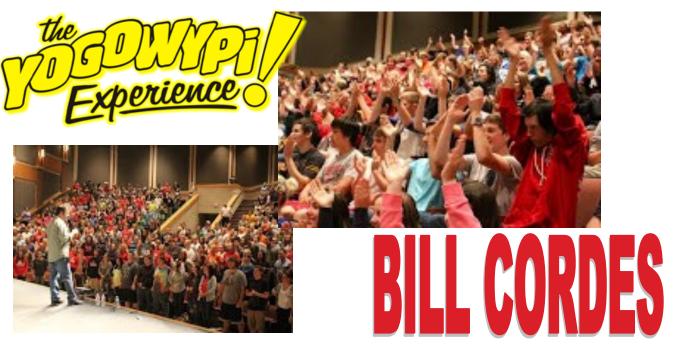
## **SCCDAT NEWS**

Our mission: To combine efforts within the community to prevent and decrease drug use, and to increase the known factors that help to reduce the risk for drug, alcohol and tobacco use in youth.



**Sumner County Community Drug Action Team** 

**November 4, 2015** 



After experience Bill Cordes presentation at the Kansas Youth Leadership Summit in August 2015, youth leaders from across Sumner County requested an encore performance. The Sumner County Community Drug Action Team (SCCDAT) was happy to bring him to Wellington and on October 21, 2015 Bill Cordes spoke to 650+ students and staff from Wellington High School, South Haven, Oxford, and the 8th grade class from Wellington Middle School. Those students heard how it's really about how the choices that we make today affect our future! Bill hit on tons of topics that are important to todays' high school students such as relationships, friendships, drugs

and alcohol, bullying, respect, maximizing classroom time, social networking, personal responsibility, making good choices while driving and the importance of getting the most out of your high school years.

His presentation is loud, it's rowdy, it's packed with movement and music and it's relative to what our students need and want to hear. The students got engaged, laughed a lot and gained tools to support them as they make good choices to help them create a positive high school experience and to carry throughout their lives.

On November 2nd and 4th Bill will return to Wellington to put the finishing touches on his program, meeting with individual classes for half day sessions. SCCDAT is pleased to have sponsored this presentation and will continue to carry the message to students and staff.



## **SCCDAT 2015 Annual Meeting**

More than 35 representatives from 12 different Sectors that make up the Sumner County Community Drug Action Team met for the Annual Meeting on October 28, 2015 at the Wellington Recreation Center Community Room. Lunch was served to all attending. Outgoing president Jane Norris presided over the

meeting. Six of the seven Sumner County communities were represented at the meeting.



## STRENGTHENING FAMILIES IN SUMNER COUNTY

The Sumner County Mental Health Center began it's new Strengthening Families session on October 19, 2015 in Belle Plaine with a total of five families participating in the seven week sessions. Renee Timar (SCCDAT Health Care Sector Rep) is a trained facilitator for SF and heads up the SF program at SCMH.

SCCDAT is please to continue to support this program and provide assistance when needed. Previous sessions have been held in Wellington, Oxford, and Belle Plane.

**SCCDAT—Serving all of Sumner County** 



Locker Talk is our new information letter that will be a monthly publication to all coaches in Sumner County. This will be distributed via email and will contain information from the Life of an Athlete program, active in four of the communities that make up Sumner County. For the first time we have teachers and coaches who are implementing the LoA curriculum into their classroom and we want to provide them with up-to-date information that will assist them .

SCCDAT believes that LoA is a proven systematic community approach to reducing risk and increasing protective factors in student athletes while setting clear consistent boundaries for behavior, increasing consequence beliefs, teaching appropriate athlete lifestyle and establishing a process to identify and help those involved in drug use or who are demonstrating behaviors of concern. If you are interested in learning more about LoA please don't hesitate to contact us.

## **Contact Us**

Give us a call or send us an email for additional information about our activities & programs.

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