



MOOSE YOUTH AWARENESS PROGRAM

ATTENTION: HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Your challenge....should you choose to accept it.....is to keep younger children on the right track toward living a healthy and wise lifestyle. It is hard to believe that 4 - 9 year olds could be involved in drugs, alcohol, gangs, or other adverse elements in your community. It **CAN** happen, and it **DOES** happen.

The Moose Youth Awareness Program is for Freshmen, Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors that show leadership skills and want to become involved in their communities. Plan now to attend a Moose Youth Awareness Student Congress in your area to become involved in this important program.

The objective of the Student Congress is to help students to design, share ideas and solutions in developing and preparing presentations we call **KIDS TALKS**. These presentations are taken into elementary schools, pre-schools or other organizations that teach 4-9 year olds. We target this age group to hopefully plant positive seeds on topics of self-esteem, alcohol and tobacco abuse, violence, and respect for each other. If you become knowledgeable and involved in our program, **YOU** will be a part of helping our future generation make wise choices for their lives.

There will be no expense to you or your family. The Moose Lodges and Women of the Moose Chapters in your area represent the students who attend the Student Congress by paying the registration fee, providing transportation, locating groups to make presentations, and helping with supplies to do interesting and informative **KIDS TALKS**.

After the Student Congress, we ask that you do a minimum of three (3) **KIDS TALKS** before February 28, 2010. You will be asked to complete a **KIDS TALKS** form after each presentation. These reports are then used to judge the students from Virginia who will attend the International Student Congress in May 2010 in Indianapolis, Indiana. There will be five scholarships awarded at the International Student Congress - **\$12,000, \$8,000, \$5,000, \$3,000 and \$2,000**. The \$12,000 scholarship winner will also be invited to attend our International Convention in Chicago, Illinois. **As well, each of the top three students from Virginia that are picked to attend the International Student Congress will receive a \$1,000 scholarship from the Virginia Moose Association Youth Awareness Program.**

STUDENT CONGRESS DATES/LOCATIONS - 2009

October 3 – Richmond-East	October 24 – Vienna
October 10 – South Norfolk	November 14 – Caroline County
October 11 – Newport News	November 21 – Roanoke
October 24 – Timberville	November 28 – Stephens City

When you get started with the Moose Youth Awareness program, you will be teaching and involving 4 - 9 year olds who will someday be our leaders. If you would like more information on this outstanding community service program, please contact your local Moose Lodge or Women of the Moose Chapter or one of the following:

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