

2010 Youth Leadership Symposium

On June 28th and 29th, over one-hundred students and their chaperones came to Frankfort to participate in the 2010 Youth Leadership Symposium. These middle and high school students, who came in twenty-two different groups, hailed from all across the state to take part in this event. Among many topics explored at the symposium, some of the more interesting ones included discussing the characteristics of leadership and the various prevention programs available for implementation in their schools.

Steve Sroka, a nationally renowned educator, gave the keynote address and guided the students in a meaningful, hands-on workshop which he entitled, “Teaching to a T – Kentucky Style.” Students were also given the opportunity to participate in the National Guard team building exercises. Other topics covered during the conference included: Cyber-Safety, Prescription Drug Use, and the Choking Game.

The Target Corporation provided volunteer assistance and an array of resources to the participants. The 2011 Youth Leadership Symposium will return to Frankfort early next summer with a leadership and alcohol prevention theme. The Symposium was hosted by the Kentucky Center for School Safety, Kentucky Crime Prevention Coalition, Kentucky National Guard, Kentucky Department of Education, Kentucky Office of Drug Control Policy, Kentucky Agency for Substance Abuse Policy, and the Champions for a Drug Free Kentucky.