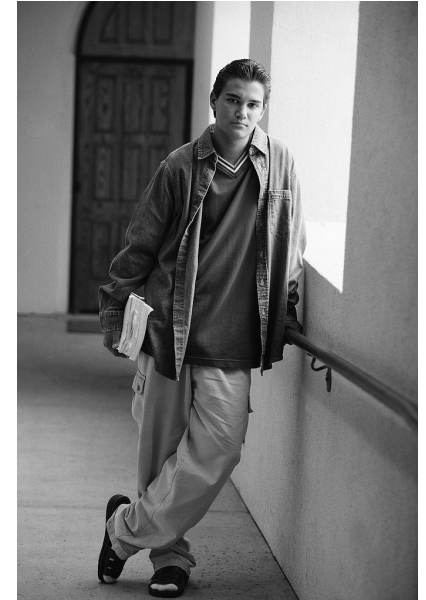


“It’s My Call”

Students making the choice to...



LEAD BY EXAMPLE



For further information, see Policy 5131.6 in the Student /Parent Handbook.

Enrollment form and program description are also available online. Go to: wsfcs.k12.nc.us
Click on Departments, Safe & Drug Free Schools and It’s My Call/It’s Our Call.

Q: What if I cannot provide a urine sample?

A: You will be provided with water and will be asked to wait an hour. If you cannot provide a urine sample at that time, you (accompanied by your parent(s)) will be asked to provide a sample on-site at PDFNC. If a medical condition prevents you from providing a sample, that condition must be confirmed by your physician.

Q: What if I test “positive” and then choose not to participate in the assessment or recommended intervention program?

A: If you do not schedule and attend the assessment or if you choose not to participate in the recommended intervention program, a letter will be sent to the administrator at your school explaining that you have chosen to withdraw from “It’s My Call.” Your test results remain confidential. At any time during your middle school career, you may choose to follow through with the recommended assessment and intervention and will be eligible to rejoin “It’s My Call.”

Q: What if I am attending or have completed the recommended intervention and I test “positive” a second time in a random test?

A: If you test “positive” a second time or if you choose not to participate in a second drug test, you will be withdrawn from “It’s My Call” and will be ineligible to participate in the program for 365 calendar days.

Q: What if I am taking prescription drugs?

A: If selected for a drug test, you will be asked to list the prescription drugs you are taking. If you test “positive” for any of these substances and your prescription the dosage are confirmed to PDFNC by your physician, your test results will be considered “negative.”



Need to talk?...

We are available to discuss your concerns about substance use and abuse. Call 336-703-6730 to talk with someone by phone or arrange to meet at your school. Your information will always be kept confidential, and no student will be penalized for reaching out and asking for help. Remember that your guidance counselors, coaches and other school staff are also available to listen.

WINSTON-SALEM/FORSYTH COUNTY SCHOOLS “IT’S MY CALL” PARTICIPANT ENROLLMENT, PERMISSION AND RELEASE FORM

Student Name (Please Print): _____ School _____ Grade _____

Student Number: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Crosby Scholar? _____ YES _____ NO

Parents Name(s): _____

Home Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Parent’s Work Phone: _____

We, the undersigned student and parent, have read and understand the “It’s My Call” program brochure and its policies and procedures. We give our consent for the student to participate for his/her entire middle school career, and understand that participation includes random selection for urinalysis drug testing. If selected, the student agrees to provide a urine sample for testing. We authorize the release of test results to Partnership for a Drug-Free NC and to the student’s parent(s). We agree to participate in the recommended intervention program in the event he/she tests “positive.” PDFNC is authorized to release a student’s decision about remaining a program participant to the student’s principal (or designee). A student, with parental consent, may revoke this agreement at any time and withdraw from “It’s My Call” by notifying WS/FCS or PDFNC in writing. (Actions currently in process will not be subject to this revocation.)

Student’s Signature _____ Date _____
Parent’s Signature _____

“It’s My Call” is more than Drug Testing...

“WHO DO YOU WANT TO BE?”



Students understand how decisions they make today will affect their future—and they’re taking a stand!

This is an opportunity for students to self-evaluate and make a personal commitment. The choice to **LEAD BY EXAMPLE** is an important step towards creating a CARING, ACHIEVING and SAFE school culture.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

- A nationally recognized, exemplary random student drug testing program based upon RESPECT for all student participants and their families
- Open to all Middle School Students
- Enrollment is voluntary
- Private and Confidential
- Testing is conducted at school by Partnership for a Drug Free NC
- Students to be tested are selected at random
- Results are confirmed by a certified laboratory



(Photos and clip art courtesy of Microsoft Office Online.)

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: Do I sign a pledge card every year?

A: No. You enroll once, and you are making a commitment for your entire middle school career.

Q: If I am a middle school Crosby Scholar, am I required to sign up for “It’s My Call?”

A: You are not required to participate in “It’s My Call,” but it is encouraged. Incentives will be awarded to Crosby Scholars who choose to participate in “It’s My Call.”

Q: How many participants will be drug tested?

A: Up to 33% of all participants (middle school and high school) will be randomly selected by an independent agency each school year.

Q: How does the drug test work?

A: The test will be a urinalysis, the same type of test used by many employers. Procedures will adhere to strict standards to ensure privacy, respectful treatment, and the accuracy of the results. A NIDA (National Institute on Drug Abuse) certified lab will analyze the urine sample for a wide array of commonly abused drugs including alcohol, marijuana, cocaine, amphetamines and other controlled substances.

Q: If I am tested, will I know the results?

A: You and your parent(s) will only be notified if the test is “positive” (substances are detected in the urine). You will be notified by letter, usually within 10 business days.

Q: What happens if my test is “positive?”

A: You and your parent(s) will be given the opportunity to participate in an assessment provided by Partnership for a Drug-Free NC (PDFNC). Intervention, ranging from an educational program to intensive treatment, will be discussed with you and your parent(s). No one at your school, including principals and teachers, will be told of the test results.

Q: What is the cost of the intervention services?

A: There will be no cost for services provided by PDFNC. Students and families who need or choose alternative services must have the alternative approved and are financially responsible for those services.

Q: What if I am selected but choose not to take the drug test?

A: If you choose not to provide a urine sample, the test results will be considered “positive.”

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