



CITY OF DOVER, NEW HAMPSHIRE

POLICE DEPARTMENT



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Parents of Dover 5th grade students head back to school.

Dover Police Chief Anthony F. Colarusso, Jr. announced today that the Dover Police Department will once again be offering a special drug prevention program for the parents of 5th grade students, known as the Dover PACT (Parents and Community Together) Program. This excellent program is free of charge.

As part of the overall prevention strategy of the police department, the PACT program serves to provide parents with the most up to date information about current drug and alcohol abuse trends, music and media related influences in their child's life, as well as strategies used in the D.A.R.E. curriculum. A significant amount of time will be spent educating the participating parents about the current heroin epidemic.

The PACT will be offered in the months of November, December, and January. The three sessions, which last approximately two hours each, will be offered three times within each of the months to make it easier for the parents to attend. Childcare will also be available if requested. Each session will be held in the McConnell Center cafeteria which is accessed through door 7 off of St. Thomas Street in Dover.

If a parent is unable to participate, any other responsible adult involved with the student's life may participate. Two parents from the same household can split the responsibilities for attending the training sessions. Participating parents will be provided with a Drug Free Dover sweatshirt and a PACT coffee mug. Students of participating parents will receive a T-shirt and their Drug Free Dover ID.

Information sheets and registration forms were sent home with 5th grade students during the last two weeks of September. Any parent with questions regarding the program may contact Detective Matt Travaglini at 603-516-6127.