



CITY OF DOVER, NEW HAMPSHIRE

POLICE DEPARTMENT



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Press Release

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The annual graduation ceremony for the Dover Police Department's Dover Middle School DARE program took place on Friday, March 15, 2019 inside the Dover Middle School gymnasium. At the event, 305 fifth grade students celebrated the completion of the DARE curriculum which lasts 13 weeks.

In addition to the graduates, teachers, other school staff, and approximately 100 parents, some city and school officials were also in attendance. These included Police Chief William Breault, Superintendent of Schools Dr. William Harbron, Deputy Mayor Bob Carrier, Dover School Board Secretary Kathy Morrison, and Dover School Board member Matt Lahr. Also present were the department's three DARE instructors, Officer Brynn Dunne, Officer Chris Plummer and Dana Mitchell.

As part of the DARE program, each student is asked to write a letter to a fictitious friend who has moved away and has recently begun to use alcohol or tobacco. The goal is to see what the students would write to that friend to help them make better choices. The winning essays were written by Evan Weete and Alyson Sinkewich and they both read their award essays to the large crowd.

The graduates were then presented with their certificates. The graduates also received their Drug Free IDs which allow the students to get discounts at several participating businesses in the area.



Photo caption for the attached picture from left to right: *DARE instructor Dana Mitchell, DARE Essay winner Alyson Sinkewich, DARE Program Coordinator Officer Brynn Dunne, and DARE Essay winner Evan Weete.*