

Raymond Coalition For Youth ~ Meeting Minutes
October 10, 2024 ~ 9:00 – 10:30 am
In Person at Raymond Baptist Church Basement



Present: 18 Members

School	Sam Horrigan, Director of Health and Wellness- RSD Alvin Caldwell, RSD Nataly Medrano, RHS Pat Arsenault, LEAP
Youth Serving	Celeste Clark - Exec Director, RCFY Pam Baker - RCFY Program Coord Pat Arsenault- RCFY Chair and Youth Program
Government	Kristen Buckman-Dudley Tucker Library Jeff Trahant, DCYF/BJJS
Substance Prevention	Sam Thamsen, Seacoast Public Health Network Jesse Santosuosso, So NH Service, RCA Ashley Stratton, Amerihealth Caritas
Faith Organizations	David Newton, Raymond Baptist Church
Youth Members	Breanne Aichambault
Parent	Kathryn Champion
Service Organizations Volunteer	Kathy McCarthy, Raymond Area Rotary Rich McCarthy, Raymond Area Rotary Jim Tuttle, Volunteer

Welcomes, Introductions, Announcements were made.

Sam Horrigan mentioned that the info night for parents and teens is **Oct 22, 2024**. There will be a screening of "Screenagers" in the Middle School Media Center from 6:30 to 8:00. Score (Wellness Center) is giving away 270 Halloween Costumes.

Celeste reviewed data from the Upper Room. Of 99 students in 2022-2023 62% have vaped with 62% nicotine and 23% THC. In 2023-2024 it was 6% nicotine and 79% THC.

Celeste then asked the members to review the "Marijuand, What is the Problem in Raymond" and put dots next to what they think is the why it is a problem in Raymond. Then they followed with a discussion.

Celeste updated the group future Events:

1. Youth Action Update - Planning for Red Ribbon Week, Prevention Summit, and Fall Family Festival.
2. Annual Prevention Summit is October 25 at the Derryfield Country Club
3. Red Ribbon Week Oct 23-31
4. Lunch and Learn, October 25, 11:00 to 1:00.
5. DEA Medication Take Back on Oct 25, 2024 from 10am to 2pm at Walgreens.
6. The Brook Casino-support RCFY October 28 thru Nov 1, 2024 .

There is opportunity for Sponsorships for the Annual Prevention Summit. Visit our website for information.

Thank you for joining us today, being an RCFY advocate, passing along the information learned today, and encouraging others to learn more and get involved.

Next Meetings: **November 14, December 12**

Mission Statement:

The Raymond Coalition For Youth empowers the community to promote positive youth development and reduce youth substance use and suicide risk.

Promoting Positive Healthy Choices for our Youth!

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