

News Release

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Dunbarton Elementary School Honors Graduates of D.A.R.E. Program

On April 23, 2010 sixth graders in Mrs. White and Mr. Polzin's classes graduated from the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) program. The ten-week D.A.R.E. curriculum was taught by Dunbarton Police Officer and D.A.R.E. Instructor Jacqueline Pelletier. Each of the students that completed the requirements of the program received a certificate of completion.

Former United States Marshal Stephen Monier was the guest speaker for the ceremony which was attended by students, parents, school officials and D.A.R.E. instructors from neighboring communities. NH State Trooper First Class Christopher Rollston and his patrol dog partner, Ozzie, also provided a lively and interactive demonstration of the K-9 team's capabilities.

The D.A.R.E. program was founded in 1983 and is currently taught in more than 300,000 classrooms in all fifty states. The curriculum consists of ten police officer led classroom sessions focusing on skills needed to help students avoid drugs, alcohol and violence. The classes utilize extensive role-playing exercises designed to assist the students in developing practical ways to resist the pressure to experiment with drugs, alcohol and gangs.



