

# The Amanda Forum Youth Dating Violence Prevention Initiative

#### **Interactive Bulletin Board Campaigns:**

The campaigns below are school-wide interactive events to be set up in common areas like the cafeteria at lunch time or any other time/place that suits your school. You will need a wall/bulletin board area, tables for your materials, markers for filling out either talk bubbles or post it notes, and some sort of prize/candy or incentive for participation. Amanda Forum Daretodatesafe wristbands can be ordered to give away, or you can attach a prevention/hopeful message to a lollipop or mint.

#### **Procedure:**

- Select your crew of leaders to set up and man the Interactive Bulletin Board station at every lunch hour or during the timeframe you choose. To include a wider demographic, try doing this before a basketball game or something and give away prizes!
- Set up your bulletin board station in a large common area where kids can easily access it. It should have the appropriate posters and conversation starters from the list on the back of this page on display and a large banner of your creation that says Let's Start Talking! You can add other pertinent stats, etc. to your display, but be sure to maintain a Hope, Help, and Strength vibe! (Not sad, shock, trauma!)
- Set up tables in front of the poster/bulletin board display with the post its or talk bubbles you'll use for student responses, markers, your prizes/incentives, and an instruction page for your leadership crew working the event. It's important for them to engage students and draw them to the table, explain the question and response process clearly, and to be sure the post-its/talk bubbles are handed to them to approve; do not just let kids stick their own bubbles up there without taking a look at them. Your leadership crew will need to constantly monitor the bulletin board responses and take down anything inappropriate that may have snuck up there.;) Putting the tables in front to block access to the board itself insures your leadership crew gets the post its/talk bubbles FIRST to censor any issues.
- If possible, play music with a pro-social theme to attract attention to your booth. Have incentives on display. You can even loop the Amanda Forum video on Youtube on the wall beside you or on a monitor nearby.
- Encourage your leaders to engage with people walking by, entice them to your booth, and explain what the Amanda Forum is and why you're doing the interactive boards!
- For each different campaign (4) encourage your kids to brainstorm prizes/incentives that match the theme. For example, some groups have given glow sticks or glow wristbands during the Let Your Light Shine campaign booth. Let them take ownership and be creative!

MOST IMPORTANTLY, TAKE PICTURES of all your events and send them to us to display on our Amanda Forum Facebook page! We want to spread the word about the wonderful things your kids are doing to make a difference in their schools!



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In your Amanda Forum Dare to Date Safe campaign packet, you will find professionally printed posters, resource trifolds, conversation starters, and Art with a Message posters to use in your Interactive Bulletin Board Campaigns. Feel free to copy any materials in order to provide them to students in your school on a continuing basis. Below are the 4 Campaigns with suggested posters and resources for your convenience.

**Campaigns:** Purpose - to engage students in discussions about what healthy relationships look like and to provide valuable information on forming healthy relationships and avoiding unhealthy ones.

# 1) #Relationshipgoals

- a) **Brochures**: Breaking up is hard to do and The Amanda Forum Youth Dating Violence Prevention
- b) **Posters:** #Relationshipgoals, Love others Respectfully Art with a Message poster
- c) Interactive Board Question: A healthy relationship is....

### 2) It's never too late....

- a) **Brochures:** Breaking up is hard to do and The Amanda Forum Youth Dating Violence Prevention
- b) **Posters:** Let's Start Talking large banner of your own creation, It's never too late to turn around Art with a Message poster
- c) Interactive Board Question: I wish I had the courage to talk to my partner about......

## 3) Let your light shine

- **a) Brochures:** Let your light shine and The Amanda Forum Youth Dating Violence Prevention
- **b) Posters:** Let Your Light Shine Art with a message poster, Let Your Light Shine large white poster
- c) Interactive Board Question: I am the best version of myself when....
  (Feel free to have your leaders come up with other pertinent questions as well, like "One relationship trait or habit I'd like to improve on is....." etc. You may do 2 questions instead of one at a board display.)

### 4) Respect Yourself

- a) Brochures: All 4 brochures
- **b) Posters:** Turn Away from Disrespect Art with a Message poster, the Let your light shine white poster
- c) Interactive Bulletin Board Question: With or without a relationship, I am...