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TEENS, SEX and CHOICES

We are pleased to announce that Aim for Success will be presenting their *Freedom to Succeed* program to our students at Durant Middle School and Durant High School on Tuesday, April 5th. Aim for Success is a nationally acclaimed educational organization and the largest provider of sexual abstinence programs in the nation. These programs cover the risks of teenage pregnancy, the epidemic of sexually transmitted diseases, the pain of emotional scars, and much more.

Aim for Success presented about 2500 of these health-based programs last year. Ninety percent of those programs were in public schools across the nation, reaching about 200,000 students and their parents. Aim for Success has received local, state and national recognition for their work in public schools.

There will be a parent meeting on Monday evening, April 4th at 7 p.m. in the Durant High School Library. All parents are encouraged to attend. The parent meeting includes a preview of the student program so parents can see firsthand what the students will be hearing the following day. This program equips parents with the tools and medical information needed to communicate effectively with their children without embarrassment. **Parents learn how, when and why they need to talk to their children (toddlers to teens) about sex.** Aim for Success believes parents should be their children's primary sex educators, but they have found that many parents don't know how to approach this critical subject.

This is a must see event for family members, youth workers, counselors, nurses, school administrators, and anyone who is concerned about teenage sexual activity in our community. Come and bring a friend! The meeting is open to the public and parents especially are strongly encouraged to attend.

For additional information about the Aim for Success program contact the Safe Schools/Healthy Students Office of Durant Public Schools at 580-920-4930.

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