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SAVE THE DATE 3RD ANNUAL SLS GOLF OUTING TEE IT HIGH. LET IT FLY. FORE THE KIDS.

Saturday, August 19, 2023

Farmington Hills Golf Club

8AM Shotgun Start

Early birdie pricing until July 31
\$125 per golfer
\$500 per foursome

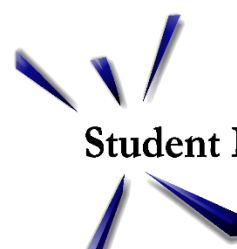
Join us for a fun day of golf, raffles, silent auction, games,
\$10,000 Hole-In-One contest, prizes, and much more!

**Sponsorship opportunities
available!**

For more information, contact Toni
Lauretano at toni@slstoday.org

Attention!!

**Please share this
newsletter with
student leaders
within your
school!
Thank you!**



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Ode to My Little Self:

By: Freeland High School

Ode to the times where false realities ruled my life.
Ode to my poor decisions based on others around me.
Ode to standards parents held me to.
Ode to my friends who I thought cared.
Ode to my little self who was never satisfied with me.
Ode to the times I put behind me.
Ode to all those struggles I cared about.
Ode to realizing what truly mattered.
Ode to resisting those pressures I faced.
Ode to the decisions I stuck to.
After all the support,
After all the love,
After all the changes,
After all the pressure,
After all the stress,
I broke free,
I found me,
For all to see,
Ode to little me.

**Conference
2023**

Thank you, Student
Advisory Board, for
making our conference
a success!

Award Winners:

Advisor of the Year:
Sandra Parker, Pinckney HS

Student of the Year:

Lacey Mann, Atherton HS

Volunteer of the Year:

Edelyn Westwood

Most Improved Chapter:

Clarenceville HS

Chapter of the year:

Hudson Jr/Sr High School

Unsung Hero:

Susan White

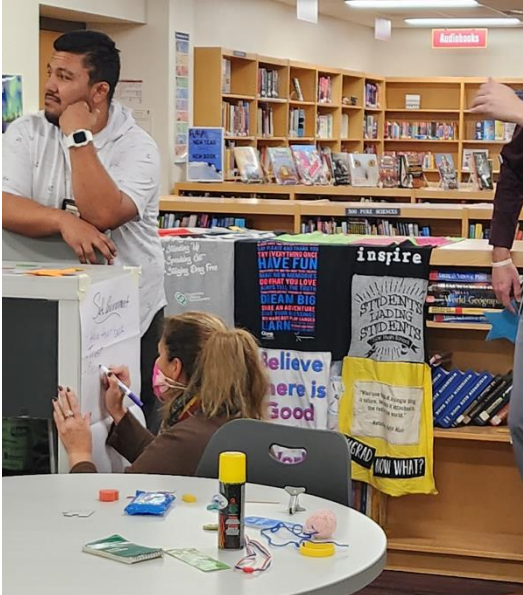
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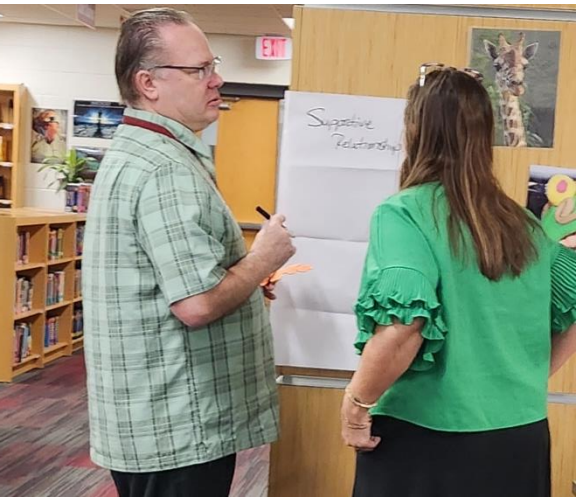
Catch a glimpse of
conference in
action in the
Conference #36
video at
www.SLStoday.org.

Students Leading Students, a program of Student Leadership Services, Inc. (SLS), is an assets-based school and community-based program implemented throughout Michigan. SLS aims to increase skills that protect students from anxiety, stress and self-defeating behaviors. SLS trains students in skills that decrease alcohol, tobacco and other drug use (ATOD) among middle and high-school students. SLS strategies empower and equip youth leaders with knowledge, life skills, and resources to design and implement youth development, mental health, and drug prevention programming. SLS supports local chapters by training adult advisors, training student chapter members/leaders, hosting student-led conferences, providing materials that correlate activities with research, providing grants, and disseminating evidence-based research and strategies about preventing teen ATOD use and other self-destructive pressures through participatory experiences for youth.

Wisconsin Teacher Empowering Youth to Lead Training



SLS is the only Michigan developed, student-led program with proven outcomes and national validation since 1982.

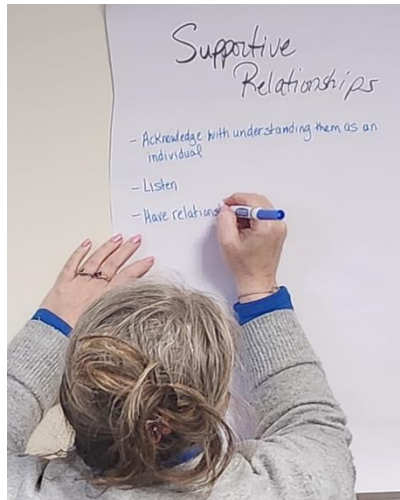
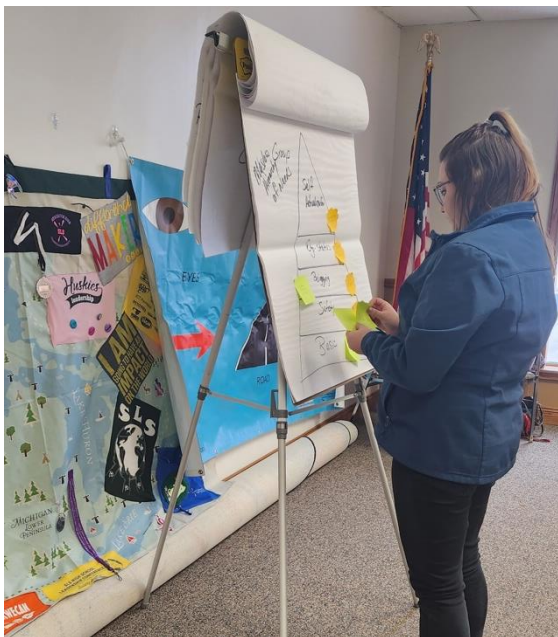


Alert!!
Please sign up with our Google Classroom. Contact dmf@SLStoday.org to sign up.

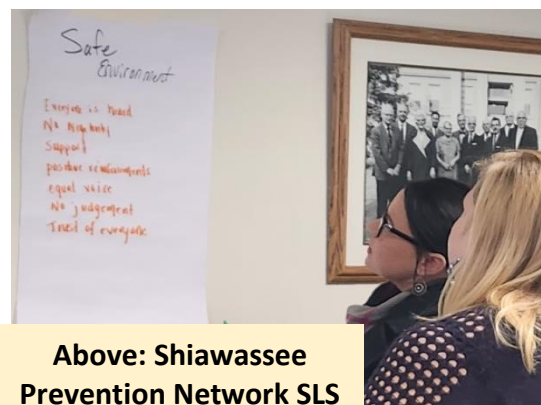


Wisconsin Student Leadership Training

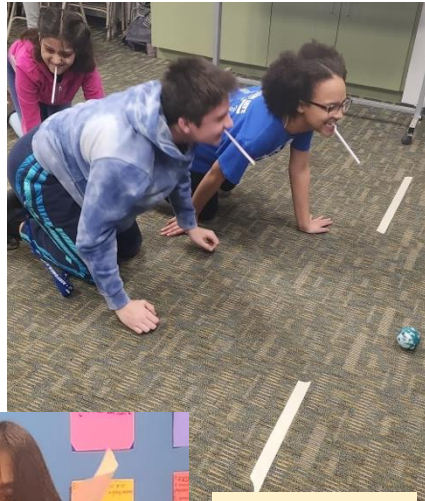




Above and Below: SLS Peer Resistance Skills Certified Trainers at Boys and Girls Club of Troy.



Above: Shiawassee Prevention Network SLS Empowering Youth to Lead Training.



SLS Safe Driving Workshop with the Michigan Youth Opportunities Initiative.



We give trainings and workshops year-round. Summer is a great time to have a chapter workshop or a training in your local community. If you are interested in scheduling a training or workshop for your organization, reach out to dmf@slstoday.org. Our training schedule can be found on our website as well at <https://slstoday.net/>.



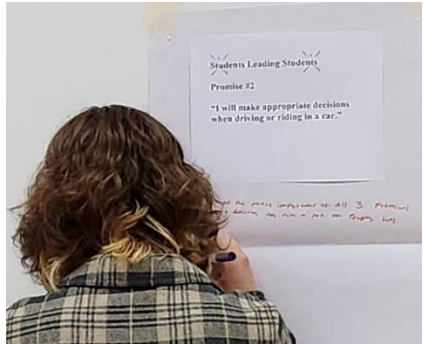
Boys and Girls Club of Troy Team Building Workshop.



SLS Peer Resistance Training for Boys and Girls Club Staff.



Below: Walled Lake Northern and Central High School Leadership and Action Planning.




Below: Taylor High School SLS Group Peer Pressure Training.



Attention!!

"Darkness Cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate Cannot drive out hate; Only LOVE can do that."
- MLK, JR.



Discrimination is When you act upon an unfair prejudice or Stereotype based on people and groups With Specific characteristics. Discrimination is everywhere because the human brain naturally puts things in Categories to make Sense of the World. People Can be discriminated against because of their age, race, gender, religion and more Together We need to end discrimination!

What does discrimination mean?
- Acting on a prejudice type or stereotype

You Can Control your actions!!

Discrimination

... Imagine Being In Their Shoes

'If I were in charge....'




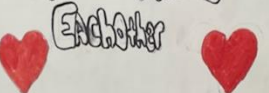
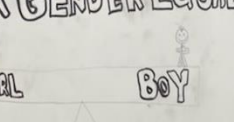
Student Leadership Services Newsletter
wants to know what you would do if you
were in charge of this publication. To tell
us, just send an email to
dmf@slstoday.org. Tell us what you like
and what you would like to see changed.

LET'S FIGHT
FOR GENDER EQUALITY

LOVE EACH OTHER
DON'T HATE
EACH OTHER

STOP RACIAL
SLURS

PEOPLE HAVE THE
RIGHT TO BE WHAT
THEY WANT TO BE



Hudson Junior High School created these posters about discrimination.


61% of people have been discriminated against.

Discrimination - the unjust or prejudicial treatment of different categories of people, especially on the grounds of ethnicity, age, sex, or disability

57% of Black Americans reported discrimination in pay and work conditions

1 in 12 people with disabilities reported discrimination in the workplace

STOP
Discrimination



988 is the new Suicide and Crisis Lifeline. It is now active! You can text and/or call to 988 and chat to 988lifeline.org.

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Volunteer Alumni throughout the world!
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A collection of yellow balloons with handwritten words and phrases, representing the 'Words of the Year' for 2014. The words include: NONE, expect, Disturber, Independence, future, MISS, passion, laughter, LOVE (Friends), cancer, Tag-iter, friends, LOVING being loved, Family, Little things, Cyber, SELF-respect, and LOVE.

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Thank you!

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Voss Steel	Performance Assembly		WSP Seniors
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