



Puppets in Education

includes Kids on the Block-VT
& Friend 2 Friend Programs-VT

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Parent Notification Information

Handy Chevrolet is sponsoring a full day of Puppets in Education presentations at St. Albans Town Education Center on Tuesday, April 8, 2014. Parents are invited!



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Beginning in 2011, all Vermont schools are required to provide education about sexual abuse prevention to all students. It must include:

"How to recognize and prevent sexual abuse and sexual violence, including developmentally-appropriate instruction about promoting healthy and respectful relationships, developing and maintaining effective communication with trusted adults, recognizing sexually offending behaviors, and gaining awareness of available school and community resources".

Puppets in Education (PiE) will visit St. Albans Town Education Center to deliver abuse prevention programs. PiE is dedicated to teaching children in Vermont how to keep themselves safe and healthy and to appreciate each other's physical and cultural differences. Using life-sized puppets, this educational program seeks to create a community which helps children realize their full potential.

PiE is a non-profit educational puppet troupe that performs throughout the state of Vermont, primarily in elementary and middle schools. Each performance typically consists of two skits, a question and answer session, and songs. Workshop presentations are designed to introduce the topic through a puppet skit, then engage the audience in activities that include role plays, brainstorming, games or simulation activities. Performances and workshops last approximately 50-60 minutes.

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Puppets in Education will be visiting St. Albans Town Education Center on Tuesday, April 8, 2014 and will be presenting these topics:

Physical Abuse for grades K-3

The skit and workshop address the following issues:

- Definition of physical abuse as a "hitting problem" which leaves a bruise, cut, broken bone or other mark on your body that lasts to the next day
- Physical abuse can happen to anyone
- Abuse often occurs with someone a child knows
- Abuse is never the child's fault
- Disclosure strategies

Sexual Abuse for grades K-3

The skit and workshop address the following issues:

- Definition of sexual abuse as a "touching problem" where someone touches or asks to be touched in areas that are covered by your underwear or bathing suit
- Sexual abuse can happen to anyone
- Abuse often occurs with someone a child knows
- Abuse is never the child's fault
- Disclosure strategies

Parents are welcome to attend the puppet presentation. If you have questions or concerns about the upcoming programs please contact

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4/8/14 - KIVA

SATEL performance times:

8:30 K
9:45 3rd
11:00 1st (Dulake, Curry, Brown)
1:15 1st (Thompson, Wright)
2:00 2nd