

BROOMFIELD DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Special Report

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	The Broomfield Police Department will receive a grant of \$28,000 to expand enforcement efforts against drunken and drugged drivers in 1989. The grant is from the Law Enforcement Assistance Fund (LEAF), administered by the Colorado Division of Highway Safety. The grants were approved by the Governor's Traffic Safety Advisory Committee last September.																																						
	A total of 41 cities and counties in Colorado will receive \$1,218,000 in LEAF grants for 1989. No taxpayer dollars are used in the LEAF program. LEAF is funded entirely by drunken and drugged drivers themselves. A \$65.00 fee is assessed against every convicted drunken/drugged driver in the state. There are approximately 35,000 DUI arrests annually in Colorado.																																						
	A goal of the Broomfield Police Department is to increase and improve the enforcement of the laws pertaining to alcohol- and drug-related traffic offenses. The department plans to assign officers on overtime to DUI enforcement on weekends and selected week nights. The department will also purchase a new Intoxilyzer 5000 breath testing instrument. The cost of the overtime and the intoxilyzer will be covered by the LEAF grant. LEAF agencies throughout the state report that stronger enforcement of drunken driving laws																																						
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STUDENTS DARE TO SAY 'NO'

Role-playing helps kids refuse drugs

By Mary George

Denver Post Education Writer

BROOMFIELD — Karen, a Kohl Elementary School fifth-grader, held out a chalky eraser to classmate Matt. "Matt, you want a beer?"

Matt smiles, casts his eyes to the floor and wags his head. "No thanks."

Matt got an A for content, but his delivery needed improvement.

"Did you notice how he said 'No thanks'?" Broomfield Officer Jay Alsop asked the 26 other children in the class.

"He was friendly, but he looked away, he was shaking his head."

"What does that do? It sends a nonverbal message that maybe he's not so sure."

Matt got another chance. Karen offered the eraser again. He faced her, made eye contact, said firmly, "No thanks."

The performance reaps approval from Alsop, who reminds the class:

"There are no wimps in the DARE program."

DARE stands for Drug Abuse Resistance Education. Through the program, Alsop and officers in Longmont, Arvada and Colorado Springs are teaching fifth-graders how to say "no."

DARE classes run one day a week for 17 weeks. Next year, 28 school districts in Colorado will have officers teaching DARE.

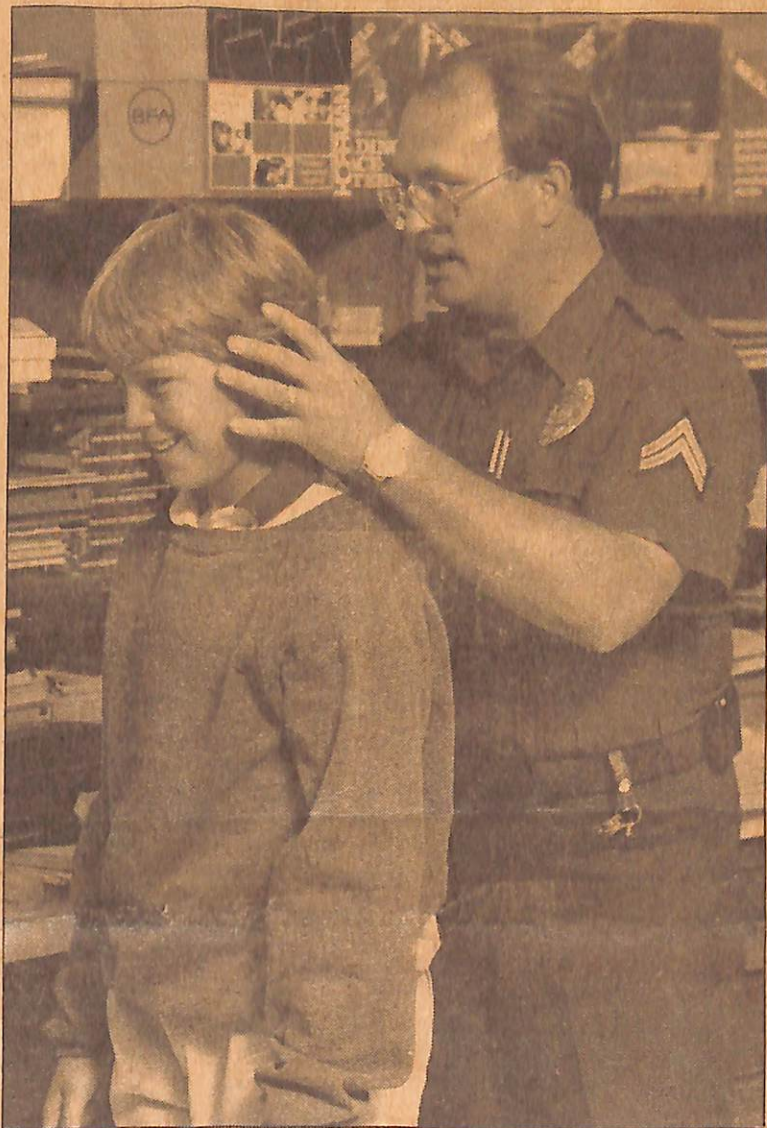
In last week's class, everyone said "no" using some of the excuses suggested in the DARE workbook.

"No thanks, I don't like the taste."

"No thanks, I don't drink."

"No thanks, I already had one."

This response drew a howl from Alsop and giggles from the



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EYE CONTACT: Officer Jay Alsop shows student Jim Dzuris that saying 'no' involves a firm voice and a strong stance.

class. "No, that's not the right excuse," he explained. "He might think that if he's had one, he'll take another."

The responses get more sophisticated. At the officer's prompting, students "give the cold shoulder," walk away from an offer of drugs, and stick up for their friends.

The role play is stilted and peppered with laughter, but it's serious business.

Fifth-grade teacher Noel Pazzour said his students look forward to the DARE classes.

"Some say they're too young for this, but this is the age when they start experimenting with drugs and alcohol."

And students said they love the jovial policeman. Why?

"He answers our questions."

"He comes at 11 o'clock, when we have math class."

"He's hilarious."

"He teaches us a lot of things we need to know, about real stuff that could happen to us."