The *Reality Tour*® was developed as a response to the rising drug use among teens who mistakenly think THEY won't become addicted.

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The Mount Pleasant Area *Reality Tour*® will begin in October 2018 at the Rumbaugh Elementary School located on School Street in Mount Pleasant Township located right outside the Mount Pleasant Borough.

The *Reality Tour*® is hosted by Mount Pleasant Borough and sponsored by the Mount Pleasant Area Drug Awareness Committee. The *Reality Tour*® is made possible by many dedicated volunteers and local organizations including: Mount Pleasant Area School District, Mount Pleasant Township, Mount Pleasant Township Lions Club, Saint Vincent College Prevention Projects, Westmoreland Community Prevention, Boy Scouts and many others.

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Participants will follow the fate of a fictitious teen addicted to drugs. The *Tour* includes an Arrest and Prison Experience as well as dramatic Emergency Room Overdose scene and Funeral scene. A narrative by the "addict" precedes each scene and includes the constant reminder to the audience that, "I'm just like you."

The *Reality Tour*® also provides participants with the testimonies from individuals that have a history of addiction, and address by law enforcement personnel concerning current illegal drug trends and the opportunity to pose questions to these speakers.

Participants will leave the *Reality Tour*® with the knowledge of coping and refusal skills and a personal photograph that has been digitally altered to show how the child's appearance might change negatively from substance abuse.

Children attending the *Reality Tour*® will also be encouraged to sign a banner pledging to always be drug free.

## **DUE TO LIMITED SEATING REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED**

Visit www.mtpleasanttwp.com or call 724-423-5653

To view the scheduled dates of the tour and print a registration form