



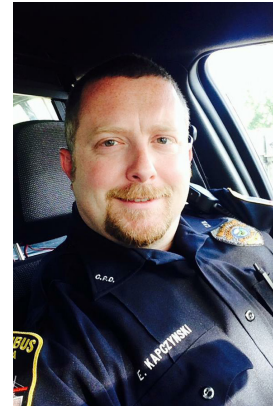
D.A.R.E.



D.A.R.E. Officer Eric Kapczynski

Columbus Police Department

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D.A.R.E. Indiana: Why did you decide to become a D.A.R.E. Officer?

D.A.R.E. Officer Kapczynski: To help kids learn about drugs and alcohol and work through social problems. Also to show them the fun side of Police Officers.

D.A.R.E. Indiana: Were you a D.A.R.E. student?

D.A.R.E. Officer Kapczynski: Yes.

D.A.R.E. Indiana: How many years have you been a law enforcement officer?

D.A.R.E. Officer Kapczynski: 12 years.

D.A.R.E. Indiana: How many years have you been a D.A.R.E. Officer?

D.A.R.E. Officer Kapczynski: About 4 years.

D.A.R.E. Indiana: Which D.A.R.E. curriculums do you teach?

D.A.R.E. Officer Kapczynski: I teach “Keepin’ It Real” for 6th Graders.

D.A.R.E. Indiana: How many students do you teach each year?

D.A.R.E. Officer Kapczynski: About 120.

D.A.R.E. Indiana: What is the most rewarding thing about being a D.A.R.E. Officer?

D.A.R.E. Officer Kapczynski: Seeing them work through social problems using what I teach them.

D.A.R.E. Indiana: What are the most important aspects of the curriculum? Why?

D.A.R.E. Officer Kapczynski: They learn how to work through problems using their DDMM or facts. They seem to like the DDMM.

D.A.R.E. Indiana: What is your favorite part of the D.A.R.E. program?

D.A.R.E. Officer Kapczynski: Seeing how the lessons build on each other and by the end of the program, they have a good idea of how to work through most problems in life.