



# D.A.R.E.

## D.A.R.E. Officer Joe Rady

Lebanon Schools 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 Rady:** To work with kids.

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

**D.A.R.E. Officer Rady:** No, I graduated long before D.A.R.E. was created.

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

**D.A.R.E. Officer Rady:** 39 years.

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

**D.A.R.E. Officer Rady:** 3 years.

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

**D.A.R.E. Officer Rady:** Kindergarten through fifth grade.

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

**D.A.R.E. Officer Rady:** 1,600 students.

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

**D.A.R.E. Officer Rady:** When you know you have reached that one child.

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

**D.A.R.E. Officer Rady:** The interaction with officers and students.



(Above) D.A.R.E. Officer Joe Rady in the classroom.