



D.A.R.E.

D.A.R.E. Officer Tim Felver

Marion 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 Felver: I enjoy working with kids and trying to teach them valuable skills that may keep them safe and better equipped to deal with and to resist the pressures to get involved with drugs and violence.

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

D.A.R.E. Officer Felver: No, it was not in existence.

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

D.A.R.E. Officer Felver: 20 years.

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

D.A.R.E. Officer Felver: 15 years.

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

D.A.R.E. Officer Felver: I teach the Elementary.

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

D.A.R.E. Officer Felver: 250-300.

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

D.A.R.E. Officer Felver: Building relationships with the kids and seeing them start to understand the dangers of drugs and violence and understanding the importance to avoid both.

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

D.A.R.E. Officer Felver: Having the kids come to the understanding that they should be safe and responsible with their choices and behavior everyday.

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

D.A.R.E. Officer Felver: Earning the trust and respect of the kids and forming relationships with them that seem to carry on for years.