



# D.A.R.E.



## D.A.R.E. Officer Tony Darling

Henry County S.D.

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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 Darling:** To be actively involved with the youth in Henry County, and to help influence youth to make good decisions.

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

**D.A.R.E. Officer Darling:** No, I was not.

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

**D.A.R.E. Officer Darling:** 24 years.

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

**D.A.R.E. Officer Darling:** 17 years

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

**D.A.R.E. Officer Darling:** I teach 4th and 5th grade.

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

**D.A.R.E. Officer Darling:** About 50-75 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 Darling:** One of my original D.A.R.E. students is now a police officer and teaches D.A.R.E.!

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

**D.A.R.E. Officer Darling:** Teaching all around life skills, which is crucial in molding productive citizens.

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

**D.A.R.E. Officer Darling:** Interacting with the kids and having a lifelong impact on them.