D.A.R.E. Officer William Fisher
Cedar Lake Metropolitan P.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 Fisher: For years, I declined becoming a D.A.R.E. Officer. One day, while speaking with a fellow Christian Police Officer, he posed a question to me. What if this is a way that God wants me to witness to the youth of our community? After praying, I determined this is what God wanted me to do.

D.A.R.E. Indiana: Were you a D.A.R.E. student?
D.A.R.E. Officer Fisher: D.A.R.E. was not offered in school while I was in elementary school.

D.A.R.E. Indiana: How many years have you been a law enforcement officer?
D.A.R.E. Officer Fisher: 17 years.

D.A.R.E. Indiana: How many years have you been a D.A.R.E. Officer?
D.A.R.E. Officer Fisher: 2 years.

D.A.R.E. Indiana: Which D.A.R.E. curriculums do you teach?
D.A.R.E. Officer Fisher: D.A.R.E. Keeping it REAL.

D.A.R.E. Indiana: How many students do you teach each year?
D.A.R.E. Officer Fisher: Approximately 180 students between 2 schools.

D.A.R.E. Indiana: What is the most rewarding thing about being a D.A.R.E. Officer?
D.A.R.E. Officer Fisher: To be able to teach children responsibility and to actually see it working, when a student comes to you about a decision they made. Its a wonderful thing to see their smiles.

D.A.R.E. Indiana: What are the most important aspects of the curriculum? Why?
D.A.R.E. Officer Fisher: When discussing chapters with the students of this age, they are able to relate to what is happening and understand what is being taught.

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