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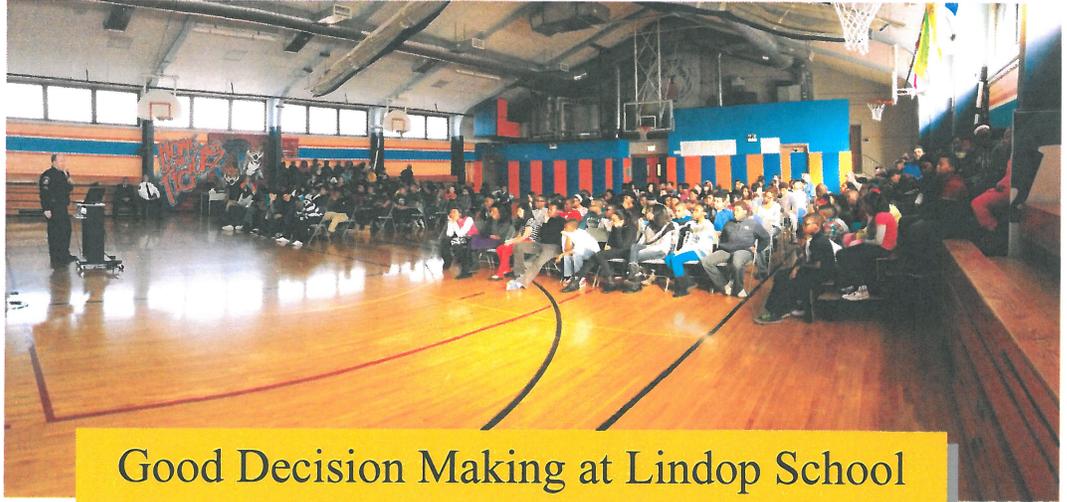


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Police Watch

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Good Decision Making at Lindop School

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On February 13th, Sergeant Tom Kostka visited Lindop school to talk with students about the importance of making good decisions. Sergeant Kostka talked about impulse control and gave examples of situations where people's lives have been forever changed by decisions made without proper consideration of consequence.

"Learning to make thoughtful decisions is one of the secrets to leading a happy and successful life. In fact, our prisons are filled with poor decision makers" - Sgt. Kostka

It's human nature to make mistakes. Successful people learn from their mistakes and don't seek to place blame elsewhere. Children should learn to "own" their failures and their successes. Only then will they be able to grow into responsible adults. Sergeant Kostka reminded the students that acting on their impulses isn't always the best option. In difficult situations, there is almost always a moment for them to consider their options and to think about how their response under stress will affect them and those around them. Sometimes we don't get a second chance to make a good decision. Sergeant Kostka reminded the students to:

"Be careful of your thoughts, they become your words. Be careful of your words, they become your actions. Be careful of your actions, they become your habits, Be careful of your habits, they become your character. Be careful of your character, it becomes your destiny" - Sgt. Kostka (original author unknown)

Ongoing meetings are currently taking place with Roosevelt School to begin a "Bullying Prevention" series as well.

The Broadview Police Department would like to thank Lindop School Dist. 92 for inviting Sergeant Kostka to speak with the students. We appreciate the opportunity to interact with the youth of Broadview in a positive way, and we are grateful for the partnership we enjoy with our schools.



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Meeting is

March 29th

@ Village Hall

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