



Volusia County Partnership

Tobacco Free Times

The Voice of the Tobacco Free Florida - Volusia County Partnership

Promoting healthy lifestyles through tobacco free living.

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The SWAT trailer and its wrap-around tobacco free message

The SWAT trailer turns up at community events, school games and other happenings around Volusia County. On June 21st, SWAT youth will rally at the Juneteenth Celebration in Daytona Beach and the SWAT trailer will be there to reinforce the benefits of a tobacco free event.

Employee Cessation

We are always seeking businesses within the Volusia County area that are interested in learning about the benefits of offering cessation services to their employees and creating tobacco free campus policies at their worksites. If you know a business HR manager, wellness coordinator, owner, or executive leader that would be interested in receiving information about employee cessation, please contact Kristen Mialki at 386-274-0601.

Join Us!

Please join us for our next Tobacco Free Florida – Volusia County Partnership meeting on Monday, June 23, 2014. The meeting begins at 4 p.m. at the Health Department building on 1845 Holsonback Rd., Daytona Beach.

For more information about the Tobacco Free Florida – Volusia County Partnership, please contact Kristen Mialki at 386-274-0601 or Kristen.Mialki@FLHealth.gov.

Partner Highlight

Daytona State College - a tobacco free campus

The Partnership celebrates the activities and accomplishments of all the Partners. This month we recognize **Daytona State College** for its tobacco free policy which went into effect on August 1, 2013. The policy, which is the same on all DSC campuses, prohibits all lighted tobacco products and smokeless tobacco on any campus or property owned or operated by the College. The policy applies to all College employees, students and visitors. The prohibition does not include the use of tobacco products inside an individual's personal vehicle on College property. Thanks to DSC's Fitness Coordinator, **Nancy Homan**, for her efforts to improve the health at DSC.

SWAT

What is SWAT?

- SWAT = Students Working Against Tobacco. Middle & high school students work in their schools and communities to create a positive attitude about being tobacco free, while developing strong leadership skills.
- SWAT = changing attitudes about tobacco.
- SWAT = empowering youth to lead community involvement against tobacco.
- SWAT = Preventing youth access to tobacco products.
- SWAT = reducing environmental tobacco smoke exposure (second-hand smoke).
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SWAT gains new teams

There are 8 new SWAT teams in Volusia and it is anticipated that there will be several more by the August 1st SWAT Advisor Training.

The new teams are:

- Basilica St. Paul School
- Campbell Middle School
- New Smyrna Beach High School
- New Smyrna Beach Middle School
- River Springs Middle School
- Silver Springs Middle School
- Southwestern Middle School
- Word & Praise School

World No Tobacco Day

World No Tobacco Day (May 31) fell on Saturday this year but **Southwestern Middle School** in DeLand, held a student assembly on Wednesday, May 28th, to celebrate the tobacco awareness day and learn how to become involved in tobacco prevention efforts through SWAT. The entire student body received valuable information on flavored tobacco, tobacco industry tactics, and point of sale tobacco concerns. The assembly concluded with a rally for SWAT membership. For more information on joining SWAT and starting a SWAT team at your school or youth organization, contact Charles Bethune at 386-523-7904 or 386-274-0500 ext.0794 or by email Charles.Bethune@FLHealth.gov.