

IDIPIC



**A Heart-To-Heart
Community Service
Organization**

MISSION

to deter
driving under the influence
and underage drinking
in our communities
through education and
awareness

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A 501©(3) non-profit
serving Island County
communities since 2000

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"NOT against alcohol, FOR saving lives."



Dear Parent or Guardian,

Today your child participated in a classroom program called **PICKLES: Positive Influences Changing Kids' Lives in Elementary Schools**. The program was created by our organization with the assistance of educators and funded in part by Island Thrift and the Washington Traffic Safety Commission.

Why? Studies, both locally and nationally, show that children are beginning to drink at very young ages, sometimes before they finish elementary school. These are our future drivers.

Therefore the goal of PICKLES is to help prepare children to make healthy and responsible decisions about alcohol and other drug use, and reinforce at an early age the "no use" drugs message. In addressing this goal the program seeks to teach students that:

1) Children should not drink alcohol and 2) Adults should not drink/drug and drive.

The format of the program: appx 40-minute presentation that includes McGruff safety materials including a hand puppet, coloring book, and ruler, a brief age-appropriate video, and talking about: healthy and unhealthy drinks for children, people you trust, impaired driving, and reinforcement activities with the children.

The PICKLES program is not intended to be a comprehensive, all-inclusive alcohol education curriculum. It is offered as another layer of positive influences to buffer children from the dangers of underage drinking, and ultimately drinking and driving.

For more information about IDIPIC, **PICKLES**, and/or its other programs, please visit our web site or contact me by phone or email at our office.

Thank you and Safe roads,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'JoAnn J. Hellmann'.

JoAnn J. Hellmann

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