

## INDEPENDENCE HOUSE TEENS 160 BASSETT LANE, HYANNIS, MA | IHTEENS.ORG

## 2022 TEEN DATING VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH "WE KNOW OUR WORTH" ART CONTEST FOR CAPE COD HIGH SCHOOL AGED STUDENTS

Dear Community Leader,

The month of February is National Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month. In our efforts to promote awareness of teen dating violence and healthy relationships Independence House is proud to announce its 7th annual Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month Art Contest for Cape Cod High School aged students. The due date for submissions is March 1, 2022.

This year's theme is "WE KNOW OUR WORTH". We are encouraging students to take our pledge and take a stand against violence, know their worth and promote respect for all relationships. We are inviting students to find inspiration from the pledge to portray their ideas artistically. Artwork includes drawing, painting, photography, graphic arts, collage, writing, sculpture, multi-media...etc. Contest winners will be announced, and prizes awarded, on March 17<sup>th</sup>.

## Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month 2022 Independence House Pledge:

We know our worth!
We cultivate inclusive, healthy relationships.
We learn from those who are different than us.
We practice consent by speaking up and by listening to others.
We transform social norms and transcend gender roles.
We know love is respect.
We know our worth!

**WE KNOW OUR WORTH** contest rules, registration/parent permission forms are included with this letter and available on our teen website <a href="www.independencehouseteens.org">www.independencehouseteens.org</a> or <a href="IHteens.org">IHteens.org</a>. Please encourage your students to participate in this important contest and share this information with your colleagues. All participants will receive a digital packet with links to educational materials and a \$5 iTunes gift card.

Thank you for your support and commitment to helping our youth know their worth and bringing awareness to the issue of teen dating violence. Please contact Deer Sullivan at <a href="mailto:deers@indhouse.net">deers@indhouse.net</a> or by phone at 508- 771-6507 ext. 271 should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

The Independence House 2022 TDVAM Committee

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