

WE THE YOUTH OF THE UPPER GREAT PLAINS, in order to empower ourselves and future generations to create change, ensure equality, and promote the common health and safety, do ordain and establish this constitution for Northern Lights SADD, Students Against Destructive Decisions.

Article I, Entitlements:

We believe that all youth are:

Entitled to a safe environment in which they can thrive and realize their maximum potential.

Deserving of individuality, equality, respect, a positive self-image, confidence and not subject to prejudice.

Worthy of being free from physical, emotional, mental, verbal, and substance abuse.

Capable of resiliency to overcome adversity and positively influence others.

Article II, Actions

Therefore we will:

Be inclusive and supporting of all youth regardless of prior circumstance.

Provide a peer network to educate, motivate, and advocate on behalf of our collective well-being.

Promote health and safety by collaborating with teens, caring adults, and community assets.

Create a substance-free, safe haven where young people can be themselves and accepted for who they are.

Prioritize behavioral health, realizing that mental health issues are just as serious as physical illnesses, and providing resources and acceptance to those who need it.

Listen to our peers to inspire creativity, a culture of innovation, new ideas, and positive change.

Through all our efforts, we, as youth, will facilitate strong leadership development in order to find solutions to the problems of today and tomorrow.

Adopted this Ninth day of August, Two Thousand Fifteen by the following members of the Northern Lights Advisory Board:

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