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GREAT KIDS ARE GREAT ROLE MODELS
SUMMER PROGRAM

Syracuse, NY—Prevention Network announced today that its summer program *Great Kids Are Great Role Models* will begin on July 10th and continue through August 11, 2006. The program is open to children ages 8-12 at area parks and recreation centers, and is designed to support young people in making positive choices and choosing good role models. More than 200 youngsters participate in the program each summer. The *Great Kids* program, which is in its 6th year, is led by professionals from Prevention Network with the assistance of young adults from CNY Works. This year's topics are:

- Week 1: Decision making and problem solving
- Week 2: How alcohol and drugs harm our ability to reach life dreams and goals
- Week 3 :How using drugs impedes our ability to make healthy choices during stressful times
- Week 4: Helping young people learn how their decisions affect themselves and others
- Week 5: Setting personal goals

The *Great Kids Are Great Role Models* program will be offered during weekly, one-hour sessions at the following parks:

BASCOL—Soule Road Elementary
21st Century Onondaga Nation School
Wilson Park—Syracuse City Parks
21st Century Grimshaw Elementary in Lafayette
Shea Middle School—Syracuse City Parks
Ed Smith School—Syracuse City Parks
Marcellus Community Childcare Center
Kirk Park—Syracuse City Parks
BASCOL—Fairmont UPC
Kennedy Square Apartments
Westmoreland—Syracuse City Parks

Prevention Network is a not-for-profit agency that educates, trains, and provides prevention services pertaining to substance use, abuse, and addictions to the Central New York community. For over 50 years, the agency has assisted individuals, families, schools and businesses through helpful information and training, anonymous referrals, and support services to assure positive outcomes.