

Several weeks ago our law firm hosted over 150 parents and students for two nights of discussion, education and stories about the risks and dangers associated with going to high school. We were overwhelmed with the response and the interesting comments and questions of our participants. Over the course of two hours my colleagues Lara Baker, Lindsay Richardson and myself discussed the rising use of marijuana by high schoolers and they all were able to see for themselves what edibles look like and they learned how dangerous they can be. We discussed sext-ing, cyber bullying and other social media problems that high schoolers deal with on a daily basis. We also spent time talking about how critical it is that students always demand that they involve their parents, and attorneys, before ever speaking to the police or school officials during an active investigation.

We knew the topics were heavy and quite disconcerting, but the parents in attendance were so pleased with the information they received and we learned that the discussions we started those nights usually continued with the parents and their kids on the ride home and for days afterwards.

One of the parent's comments:

"This was fabulous and words cannot thank you enough for taking the time, energy and resources in breaking down barriers to talk REAL about these topics that face our children"

Another parent said:

"Showing the kids/young adults the edible was eye opening for my daughter. I am sure she will think twice before casually taking anything candy-like (even from friends) in the future! I think it's good that they know how harmless these things can appear. Also, I appreciate any opportunity to open this type of dialog. This was a great event and one I would recommend to friends and colleagues in the future."

We are proud of our community and the families that reside here. We only want the best for our clients, friends and colleagues and we believe this community service is something that hopefully will benefit many of these kids so that they don't find themselves needing our services for real.

In the event you are interested in attending a future high school or college boot camp please send us an e-mail at highschool@fostergraham.com and we will let you know when we plan on having another session.

Please see pictures of event Below.



