The Youth Leader

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2020 Ready. Set. Record. Film Festival

We wrapped up this year's Ready. Set. Record. with the 2020 Film Festival! The film festival took place on February 19th at the Ron Robinson Theater in Little Rock. We had a great turnout from students, teachers and community partners and hope you all had as much fun as we did!

We love having the opportunity to showcase students' work and all of the videos submitted this year were incredible! We would like to once again thank everyone who submitted a video and all of you that attended the festival. There were over 400 students that entered videos this year! And we're already looking forward to seeing the creativity you bring next year. Congratulations to this year's winners! You can find the list of winners as well as their videos shared on our Facebook page @ProjectPreventAR.

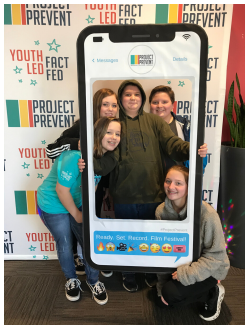
This event wouldn't have gone as smoothly without the help of our volunteers, so thank you! A special thank you goes to our incredible hosts, Shashite Mummadi and Harlem Taylor from LISA Academy! They were awesome and really brought the energy to the stage. Students enjoyed popcorn and drinks during the show and had fun with the photo booth and Snapchat filters. You can check out the rest of the photos from the day on our Facebook page.











Chapter Shoutouts

- **Valley View High School** created Valentine's stickers that were placed on lockers around the school to remind students not to use tobacco and nicotine.
- **Emma Mitchell from Calico Rock** wrote an article about tobacco and nicotine, specifically around the vaping epidemic, that was published in her local newspaper.
- **Hamburg Middle School** placed tobacco-free campus signs around their school grounds.
- **Brandon House Cultural & Performing Arts Center in Little Rock** received the most creative chapter award at the Heal A Heart Recognition Luncheon.
- **Hot Springs Junior Academy** received the Young Advocates award at the Heal A Heart Recognition Luncheon.
- **JA Fair** received the Spirited Award at the Heal A Heart Recognition Luncheon.

Follow us on Instagram and Facebook **@ProjectPreventAR** to see more shoutouts every Thursday as we share the **#FacesOfProjectPrevent**.





My Reason to Write is OPEN NOW for grades 2-8. Visit our website www.projectpreventar.org for more information or to submit an entry! Deadline is April 10th at 5 PM.

"My Vaping Mistake" Series

During the month of March, we shared a video series on our social media pages. The series titled, "My Vaping Mistake," from The Real Cost, features teenagers sharing their stories of how vaping has affected their lives. The four-part video series focuses on different topics: mental health, sports, relationships and the future in general.

You can still find these videos on both our Facebook and Instagram pages @ProjectPreventAR and on our YouTube channel. These are great resources and powerful stories that may be helpful to share with anyone you think is vaping.

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