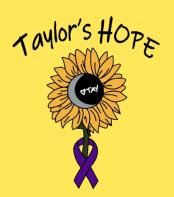




### LIVES LOST: THE REALITY OF SUBSTANCE USE









This presentation contains images of young people, from all walks of life, who have died from using drugs. Every face is the face of an Erie County life lost to the ongoing drug epidemic. Some took one pill – one time, some used drugs for longer periods. These faces represent our loved ones; we share them with you because we HOPE you don't join them.









### **Taylor**

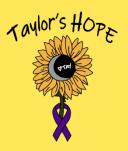
COMPASSIONATE
COURAGEOUS
ADVOCATE

## Erie County reported 450% more overdoses than the state average



Fairview High School









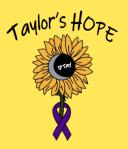
### Collin

EMPATHETIC
CONSIDERATE
EASY-GOING

### Overdose deaths more than quintupled (5X) between 1999 and 2021











### Cynthia

COMPASSIONATE
ADVENTUROUS
THOUGHTFUL

### 25% of teen overdose deaths involve counterfeit pills laced with Fentanyl



**Collegiate Academy** 









### Cody

ADVENTUROUS LOVING THOUGHTFUL

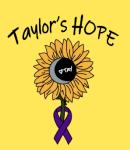
### Any Drug Anytime Anyone





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### Adam

KIND

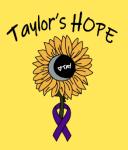
SMART

**FUNNY** 

## Teen overdose deaths more than doubled during the Covid pandemic











### Jonathan

KIND SMART CREATIVE

## We lose the equivalent of one jet liner crash per day to Fentanyl deaths



North East High School









### Brandon

HUMOROUS
EMPATHETIC
HARD-WORKING

## 90% of teenage overdose deaths involve the use of opioid drugs like Fentanyl



**Cathedral Prep HS** 









### Christina

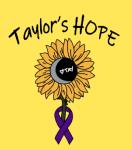
CARING
LOVING
BEAUTIFUL

## 84% of teenage overdose deaths in the United States involve Fentanyl

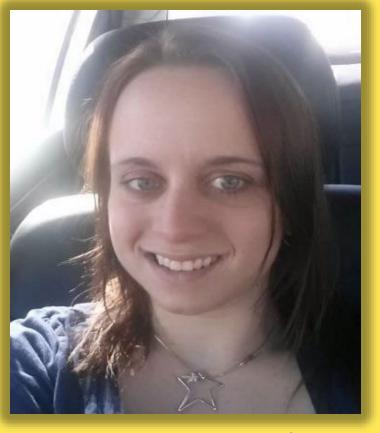


Iroquois High School









### Krystal

SINCERE

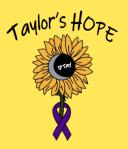
**FRIENDLY** 

**HUMOROUS** 

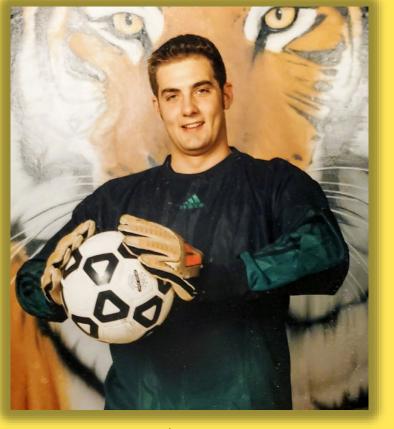
## Fentanyl can be disguised as a prescription pill - fake pills kill for real











### Adam

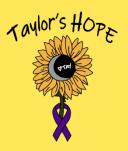
ATHLETIC
LOVING
INTELLIGENT

### Opioid overdose deaths more than decupled (10X) between 1999 and 2021



**Fairview High School** 









### Colleen

PURE HEART
WICKED FUNNY
UNDERDOG CHAMPION

## Today is a dangerous time to be a teen - one mistake could be deadly

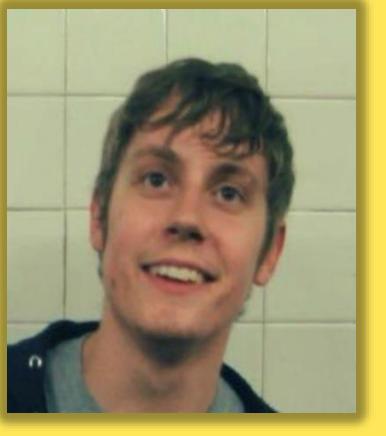


**General McLane HS** 









#### Matt

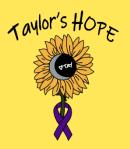
KIND FUNNY

INTELLIGENT

### Learning how to respond to an overdose can save lives











### Lindsey

ENERGETIC

ARTISTIC

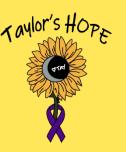
BEAUTIFUL

### While teen drug use has declined slightly, overdose deaths more than doubled



### North East High School









#### Rick

HUGE HEART
PEACEMAKER
FLININIY

### Enough Fentanyl has been seized to kill the entire U.S. population

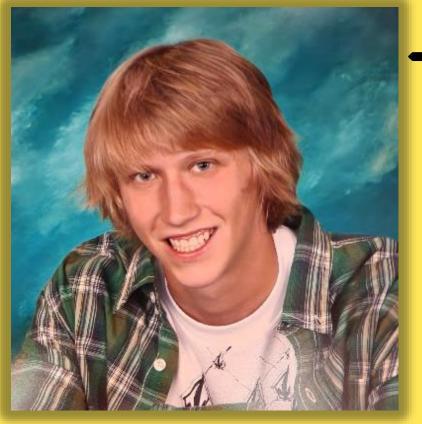


**East High School** 









### Steven

KIND

**GENTLE** 

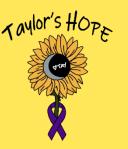
**HOPEFUL** 

## Teen overdose deaths can occur at any school, in any town, to any family



#### **Harbor Creek HS**









### **Tyler**

LOYAL

**GENEROUS** 

LOVED FAMILY

### 41% of teens who overdosed were also treated for mental illness











#### Steve

KIND
GOOD NATURED
FREE SPIRITED

### Today's drugs kill; use is down, but overdose death rates have soared



Fairview High School









### Ryan

LOVING

**SMART** 

ΔΤΗΙ ΕΤΙC

### Counterfeit pills are sold on social media – trusting the source leads to remorse



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#### **Tanner**

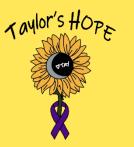
GIVING
HUMOROUS
SON-BROTHER-FRIEND

The average age of a teenager who died from an overdose is 15.1 years



**Perseus House Charter** 









### Olivia

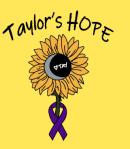
KIND ADMIRED GENEROUS

### Since 2018, teens have lost 1,497,255 years of life due to overdoses

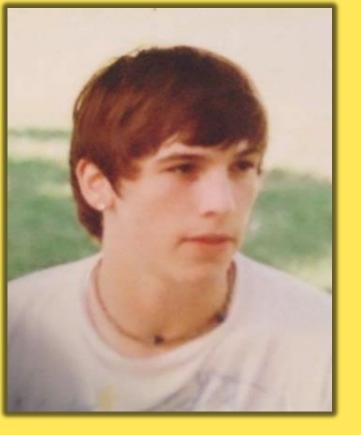


### Seneca High School









### Ryan

HUMOROUS

AMAZING COOK

LOVED FIERCELY

## Bystanders witnessed 2/3 of teen overdose deaths, yet provided no response

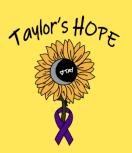


Iroquois High School

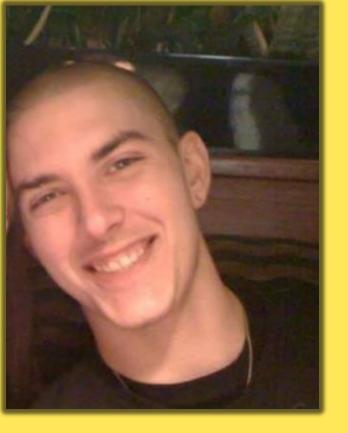
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### Michael

SINCERE

AMBITIOUS

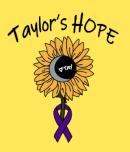
HARD WORKER

## Fentanyl is not only tasteless and odorless; it can leave you lifeless



**Harbor Creek HS** 









### Jenna

LOVED LIFE
ANIMAL LOVER
GREAT LAUGH

## Deaths involving illegally manufactured Fentanyl increased 182% in 3 years











# 62% of Pennsylvania's overdose victims received Naloxone (Narcan)

Cory

FUNNY

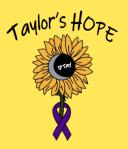
LOVING

COMPASSIONATE

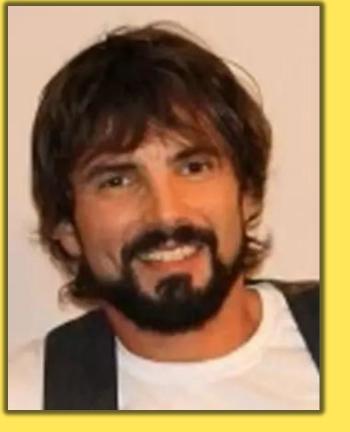


**North East High School** 









#### Dan

LOVING
SPIRITUAL
KIND-HEARTED

## Fentanyl Poisoning is the #1 cause of death in Americans ages 18-45



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### Kori

LOYAL

**FUNNY** 

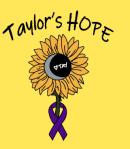
**ATHLETIC** 

# PA had 4,029 deaths in 2022 related to illegally manufactured Fentanyl



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### Katelynn

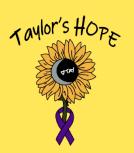
FUNNY CARING NURTURING

## The equivalent of a school classroom of U.S. teens dies weekly from overdoses



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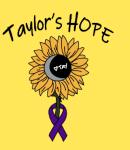
### Madison

WITTY
ARTISTIC
NATURE LOVER

### The only thing that Narcan enables... is BREATHING









#### We are...



...loved

#### Your high school days are for making memories.













Make them your best days, not your final days.

### Taylor's Mission is Now Our Mission



Erasing stigmas by educating and raising awareness of substance use disorder, mental illness, & the dangers of drugs







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