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FINALISTS CHOSEN FOR “ARE YOU ABOVE IT?” VIDEO COMPETITION; PUBLIC CAN VOTE FOR WINNER



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The “ARE YOU ABOVE IT?” video competition was created by the Partnership for a Drug-Free America, Arizona Affiliate as an opportunity for teens statewide to find a voice when it comes to tough issues. Participants created a short video that highlighted the skills and talents that help them stay Above the Influence of drugs and alcohol – whether it is playing sports, doing magic tricks or showing off the next great recipe.

The videos have been narrowed down to three entries. They were submitted by Andrew Madrid, a student from St. Johns High School in St. Johns; Michael Hamilton and Mairely Urias, students from Cottonwood Middle School; and the television production class of Mohave Accelerated Learning Center in Bullhead City.

The finalists’ videos can be viewed at <http://www.PartnerUpAz.org/contest> after clicking on the “VOTE!” button. Voting is open to the public from February 25 – March 4 on the website. The winning entrant or team, which will be announced on March 5, will be awarded \$500, the runner-up will receive \$300 and the third place entry will win \$200.

“We received so many great videos from teens all over the state that it was hard to narrow it down to our three finalists,” said Colleen Pyra, program manager for the

Arizona Affiliate. “Although we can only have one winner, it is important to note that these teens took the time to get involved in this worthwhile project and address important issues about drugs and the pressures they face.”

About The Partnership for a Drug-Free America

The Partnership for a Drug-Free America was formed in 1986 by the communications industry to educate children, parents and communities about the consequences of illicit drug use and the benefits of living drug-free. The Partnership is highly regarded for its proven effective media campaigns and public awareness programs. Independent studies from academia, business and science document the profound impact of The Partnership’s programs on attitudes and behavior.

The Arizona Affiliate was established in 2003 to carry out The Partnership’s mission to reduce illicit drug use in [Arizona](#) while meeting the unique needs of communities. Through its programs, the Arizona Affiliate inspires and empowers Arizonans to join in a united effort to prevent illicit drug use among teens through community-based education. The Partnership is a [non profit 501-c-3](#) organization.

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