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DOLE HELPS BRING "AMERICAN DREAM" PROGRAM TO SEDGWICK COUNTY SCHOOLS: AT-RISK STUDENTS TO RECEIVE NATIONALLY ACCLAIMED ANTI-DRUG MESSAGE

Washington, D.C. -- Senator Bob Dole (R-Ks) announced today that the Navy has agreed to present its nationally acclaimed anti-drug "American Dream" program for no charge to two sessions of Sedgwick County high school students on Thursday, February 9.

Dole obtained the commitment from the Department of the Navy at the request of the Business Education Success Team (BEST) committee of the WI/SE Partnership for Growth.

"The Navy's upbeat, inspirational presentation has demonstrated to students all across the country that education and a drug-free lifestyle are vital to personal success and happiness," said Dole. "I am very pleased that the stars of the show - Lt. Williams and Lt. Drew Brown III - will be coming to Kansas to share their message with our students."

Lt. Williams and Lt. Drew Brown III, who will also be visiting schools in the metro area, began speaking to high school students about the challenges of growing up as part of the Navy's "Personal Excellence Program." Now Reservists, the two lieutenants are pursuing individual careers, but have maintained their active schedule of speaking to at-risk youth.

Earlier in the school year, Lt. Williams and Lt. Brown discussed the needs of at-risk youth with teachers in USD #259. The Wichita city schools then contracted to bring the two lieutenants back to Wichita on February 7-8 for presentations to students, parents and teachers.

The BEST committee was asked to assist with financing presentations for Sedgwick County schools scheduled for February 9. Each speaker normally charges a fee of \$1000 per presentation.