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To Whom It May Concern:

HCHS HOSA has recently joined RiverValley Behavioral Health Regional Prevention Center to raise community awareness about the concerning rise in prescription drug abuse, especially among teens. A group of four HOSA members (Dallas Dohrn, Laura Kirk, Riley Thompson, and Amanda Keown) have also chosen to use this initiative as their HOSA Community Awareness competitive event in which they will compete in at the HOSA State Leadership Conference in March. These four students have been invited by RiverValley Behavioral Health Regional Prevention Center to attend as well as serve on a panel at the 3rd annual Different Faces of Substance Abuse Conference.

The conference is in Lexington, KY on January 18-19, 2012. The students and I will be departing on the afternoon of Tuesday, January 17, 2012 and spend two nights in Lexington at the Griffin Gate Marriot Resort & Spa. We will all attend workshops on topics such as polypharmacy and substance abuse awareness/prevention, in addition to the students serving on a panel. We will return on the afternoon of Thursday, January 19, 2012.

We will be using the Henderson County Schools SUV; however, River Valley Behavioral Health will be paying for our mileage (\$.40/mile), my substitute, conference registration, and hotel rooms via grant money. They will also be reimbursing each of us for meals.

Attached are the conference agenda and the email that Gary Hall, Senior Director at River Valley Behavioral Health Regional Prevention Center, sent to invite us. You can also go to this website to learn more about the conference http://www.facesofdrugabuse.net/.

Thank for your consideration,

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