

Success Stories & Outcomes

Violence Prevention Program

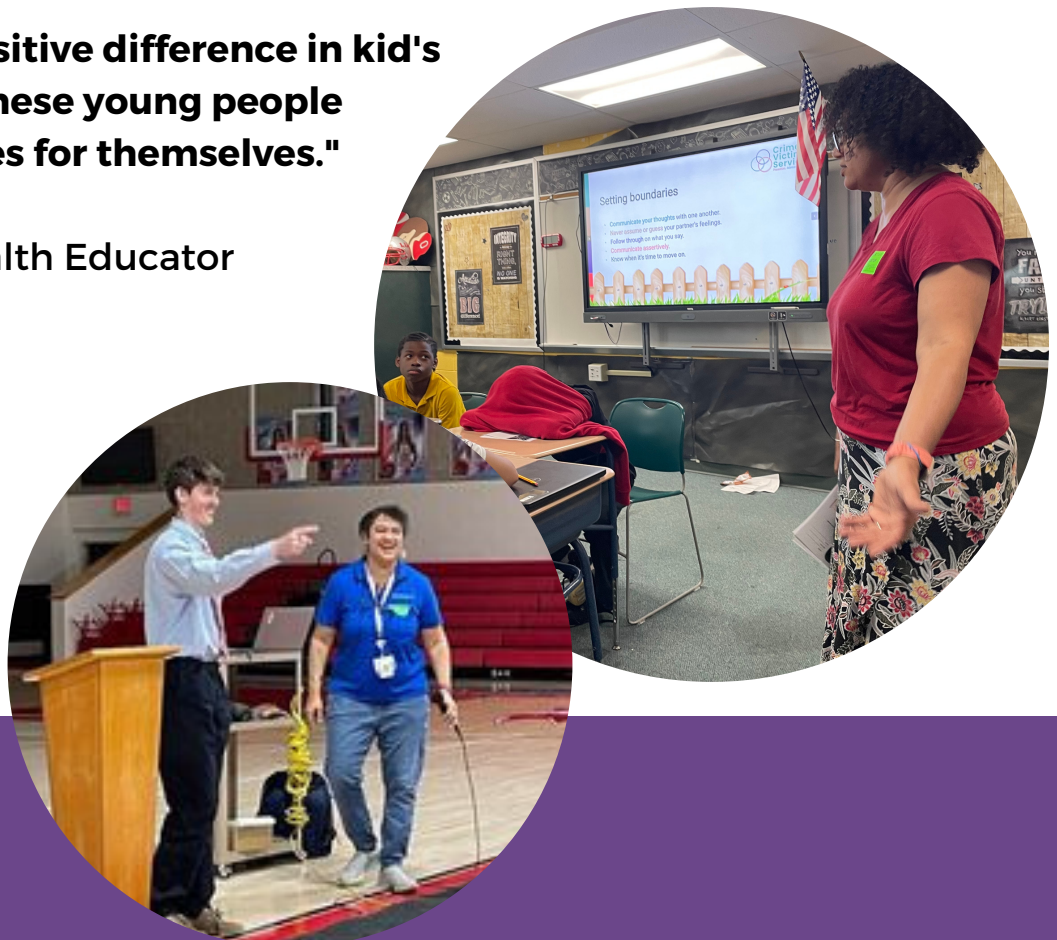
"To say Carla has made a difference in student's lives from her presentation and rapport with my students is an understatement. It is very difficult to get all the material we have to cover in Health in a semester, but I always want to make time for real life issues.

Carla's presentation goes far and beyond just dating abuse and violence. **It teaches respect, self-worth, learning to understand what is and what isn't acceptable and learning ways to stand up for yourself and protect yourself.**

Her presentation of such an important topic, especially at Lima Senior High, is vital to teaching these young people how to deal with such an important, yet often overlooked subject matter.

She is making a positive difference in kid's lives and helping these young people make better choices for themselves."

Chris Hawkins | Health Educator



"I teach at Lima Central Catholic High School and invited one of the Violence Prevention Educators to speak to our student body about human trafficking, warning signs of adult grooming of minors and adults, and Internet safety.



The material presented to our students was well-crafted, insightful, engaging, and effective. They were able to tailor the curriculum to our needs in order to meet specific educational goals and requirements, and to accommodate our particular demographic.

[The preventionist] came to our school on three separate days, and the students quickly grew to look forward to their time with her. She was able to make them feel at ease when talking about difficult subjects and built a rapport with them quickly. The students spoke later about their experience, stating that they learned quite a bit about each of the subjects taught.

I couldn't be more satisfied with the services provided to our school by Crime Victim Services, and I look forward to working with them again in the years to come."

Bonnie M. Brunelle | Department Chair

"The Violence Prevention Specialists, from Crime Victim Services, have presented to my Health students regularly over the last 7 years. **The educated and compassionate educators do a great job approaching abuse, a challenging topic, in a straight forward fashion all while creating a comfortable and safe environment for student learning.**

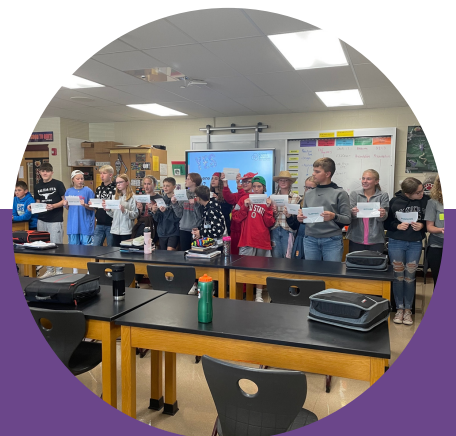
It is challenging for me to summarize what Crime Victim Services has done for my students. At times, the CVS presentations have provided the first introduction and discussion opportunity for my students about violence in our communities. This is critical that students are given an opportunity to learn information and to have help developing strategies for dealing with violence.

Secondly, Crime Victim Services has provided some students with a non-school based platform to express personal safety concerns. The Violence Prevention Specialists develop a great rapport with students and become a member of each student's support system.

Finally, the violence presentations have helped my students gain knowledge about the topics while being more alert, observant, and perceptive in their friendships. They have learned how to be an active member of others' support groups and have been instrumental in assisting friends to seek help from qualified adults.

Crime Victim Services and the Violence Prevention Specialists have provided my students with the tools to begin to act in a way that supports community health and safety."

Kalida Middle School Health Teacher



"This was my first year having Crime Victim Services present to my students and **I am excited to say that my students enjoyed their presentations and comprehended the information.** As a Health Educator in a public school, it is my responsible to provide curriculum to my students that will help prepare them for the future, allow them to grow as a person, and to inform them of potential life-threatening situations and substances.

Crime Victim Services provided quality curriculum on issues pertaining to boundaries, healthy vs. unhealthy relationships, gender norms and consent. These issues can be hard to address but need to be done at an early age to allow students to be aware of possible dangers they may encounter in relationships. The curriculum is easy to understand and relates to common every day circumstances.

Erin was able to connect with my students and to interact with them in a way that was enjoyable and easy to understand. She was able to create an atmosphere that allowed my students to feel comfortable therefore allowing them to open up to share and ask questions.

I'm happy that a friend referred me to Crime Victim Services and look forward to working with Erin and the rest of the staff in the future. Thank you for everything that you have done for my students and the youth in Allen County."

Brenda McDorman
Middle & High School Health Teacher

