

## NDSCS Don't Cancel Class

The "Don't Cancel Class" initiative at NDSCS is intended to support faculty who may need to be away from class due to a professional or personal conflict. Professional staff can cover your class and present on a topic that may be related to your course or is relevant to college students and the issues they may face while in college. In addition to faculty, student organizations may request a presentation on any of the topics we have available.

Presentations are typically 50 minutes in length, depending on the presentation and your class's schedule. For any other questions/concerns, or if you would like us to present on a topic that is not listed below, contact Bethany Mauch at [Bethany.Mauch@ndscs.edu](mailto:Bethany.Mauch@ndscs.edu).

The topics include:

- Resume Building
  - Learn how to write and perfect your resume to best attract employers during your job search.
- Diversity Awareness
  - This workshop allows students to reflect on their own identity while at the same time challenging them to embrace similarities and differences with other cultures. This workshop amplifies the definition of oppression and privilege and includes examples. Its purpose is to increase awareness and sensitivity to the realities of oppression and privilege and to illustrate diverse experiences of both.
- Safe Zone
  - A workshop aimed at affirming and supporting college climate through identifying and educating members of our college community who are open to and supportive of all individuals, regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression.
- Gender Matters
  - An exploration and open discussion of gender and its relationship to how we experience life – sex, television, sports, partying, violence, relationships, health, etc.
- Archie Bunker Diversity Activity
  - A highly interactive activity that helps students understand the effects that stereotypes and discrimination have on various groups. Please note: there must be at least 12 students in the class for this activity.
- Alcohol 101
  - How much do you know about what alcohol does to your body, factors that influence alcohol and what standard drinks are? Students can openly discuss drinking myths and can try out the Intoxogoggles to get a better understanding of the effects of high BAC levels.
- Tobacco
  - Tobacco use kills more people than alcohol, car accidents, murder, suicide, College is a time when young people are at a higher risk for starting tobacco use and transitioning from experimental to regular use. 99% of all regular smokers start by the age of 26. This presentation will provide open discussion about NDSCS student use rates, hot topics in the tobacco industry, and resources available to help you quit.
- Marijuana: The Blunt Truth
  - With legalization of marijuana occurring in several states in our country, there has been a growing acceptance of using marijuana. This presentation will discuss the basics of marijuana, the health and societal consequences of using marijuana, legalization issues and misconceptions, and the impact of what legalization has caused in other states.
- Sexual Assault & Violence
  - An important part of becoming a member of the NDSCS campus community is to become knowledgeable about sexual assault and violence. This presentation will cover material related to the prevalence of sexual violence, how to prevent sexual violence at NDSCS, how to safely intervene in situations and resources available to those who have experienced sexual assault.

- Got Consent?
  - This workshop is focused on empowering each of us to be involved in prevention violence. Together we will be identifying problem behaviors, deciding when and how to intervene, and working through scenarios to practice getting involved in a safe environment.
  - *To help students recognize signs of healthy communication vs. unhealthy communication in regards to consent.*
  - *To educate students about societal norms and how they often foster acts of sexual violence.*
  - *To challenge students to recognize their role in contributing to gender biases.*
  - *To encourage students to challenge gender stereotyping amongst their peers through bystander intervention.*
- NDSCS Jeopardy
  - This workshop utilizes a fun, competitive game to educate and test student's knowledge about healthy relationships, safer sex, sexual violence, diversity, transgender issues, tobacco, campus events/activities, and drugs.

To request a workshop, simply complete the online form [HERE](#) and submit. **Please note:** a two-week notice is preferred. If you have any questions regarding these presentations, please contact Bethany Mauch at 671.2124 or [Bethany.Mauch@ndscs.edu](mailto:Bethany.Mauch@ndscs.edu).