Planning to be Away for a Day?  
or  
Teaching a First Year Class

Give us a call about our program for Academic Classes, the “While the Professor is Away Program”, and First Year Students.

Dear Professor,

Are you going to miss one or more of your classes this Fall or Spring semester and are considering canceling them? Please don’t! STAR Central has a group of Peer Educators that want to enlighten your class for the day.

RESPECT (Rape Education Services by Peers Encouraging Conscious Thought) is a group of students that provide interactive presentations to other students regarding sexual assault prevention. Our presentations are geared toward both men and women and feature much class discussion. This presentation is also great for first year students who are at heightened risk for sexual assault. Even if you won’t be away from class, we’d appreciate the opportunity to share this valuable information with your students.

Think the topic of sexual assault is not relevant to your class? Consider that 1 in 4 college women become victims of sexual assault. Seven to 10% of adult rape victims are male. This topic is relevant to everyone in one way or another. While a chapter of sexual assault may not be included in the course textbook, please do not deny your students the important life lessons that our presentation has to offer.

As on campuses across the nation, sexual assault is a serious problem and we need your help to reach out to students and reduce occurrences of this crime. So, when planning your course or if you will be away from the office for a professional meeting, conference, or other planned reason, how about considering a RESPECT presentation for your class as part of your planning process?

We’d appreciate being able to talk with your students as to how they can be a part of sexual assault prevention. To schedule a presentation with RESPECT, contact the STAR Central Office of the Pat Walker Health Center by emailing us at respect@uark.edu with the 1) date and time of your class, 2) class location, 3) your contact information, including phone number, and 4) name of class and number of students. Every effort will be made to meet your request for a presentation. We look forward to hearing from you and appreciate your support and willingness to help reach out to our students.

Sincerely,

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