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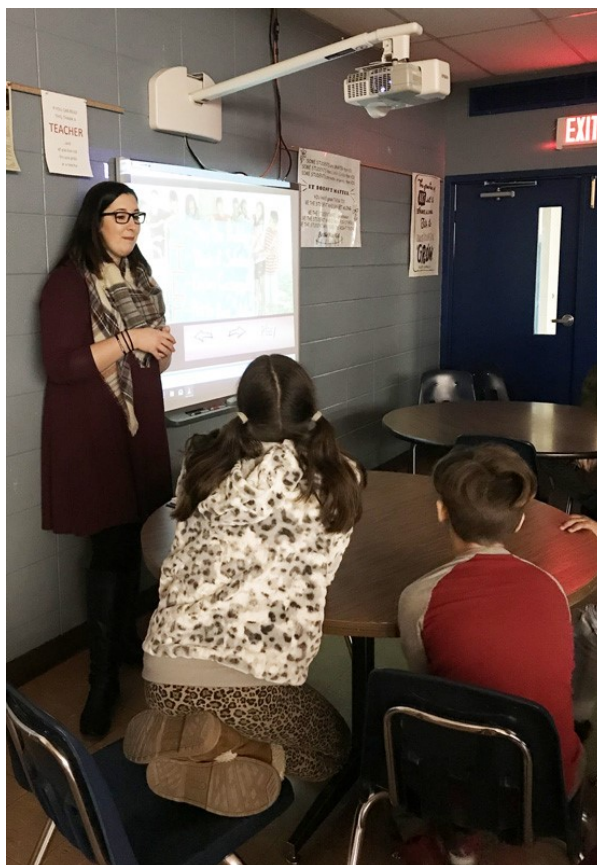
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## Hoopeston Area Teen REACH participants have lessons in violence prevention strategies

Growing up is a challenge. Having guidance makes it much easier.

Hoopeston Area Teen REACH participants recently



*Photo submitted*  
Brooke Kuchefski interacts with a group of Teen REACH students about the STEP method of problem solving: State the problem, Think of solutions, Explore the consequences, Pick the solution.

learned some practical violence prevention strategies from Prevention Educator Brooke Kuchefski of the Survivor Resource Center in Danville.

During three visits, Kuchefski shared age-appropriate lessons during the after-school program in the middle school library January 22, 27 and 29.

Third through fifth graders learned about empathy and respect, as well as ways to manage strong emotions like anger. During the interactive presentation, students watched various videos and discussed ways to calm down in the depicted scenarios. They also discussed bystander interventions.

The presentations for sixth through eighth grade students focused on relationships with friends and family members. Middle school-aged participants learned about healthy and unhealthy relationships. They also discussed consent and its presence in everyday life. And, they learned how coercion can lead to peer pressure and bullying.

## Abel Colunga tops 182 pack at IHSA 1A wrestling regionals

Hoopeston Area grappler Abel Colunga earned top honors at IHSA regionals Saturday at St. Joe-Ogden.

Wrestling at 182, Colunga, at 38-7, received a bye in the quarterfinal, then faced St. Joe's Brodie Sullivan (23-16) in the semifinal. Colunga dispatched Sullivan with a fall at 5:16.

In the first place match, Colunga faced off against Rylee Edwards, of Westville (41-5), winning by a fall at 4:20.

The win sends Colunga to IHSA sectionals Friday and Saturday at Olympia High School in Stanford. Prelims and quarterfinals will begin at 4:30 p.m. Friday.

In other regional action, Justin Jones (34-10) placed second at 145. He also received a bye on the first round and won by fall at 2:41 over Marshall Gudauskus (25-22) of Bismarck-Henning/Rossville-Alvin.

In the semifinal, Jones again won by fall over Noah Streenz (10-19), of LeRoy, at 2:45.

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Funding for these presentations was provided by the Illinois Department of Human Services, through a grant for violence prevention.

Teen REACH (Responsibility, Education, Achievement, Caring and Hope) is a program of Project Success of Vermilion County. It is an out-of-school program available to youth ages 10-17 at Hoopeston Area Middle School. The program offers homework help, recreation/sports, arts and cultural activities, life skills education, parent/family events, and service learning opportunities.

The Survivor Resource Center serves child, adolescent and adult victims of sexual assault and their loved ones by providing counseling, legal and medical advocacy, case management, and awareness/prevention programs for community members and professionals.

Services are free and confidential. A 24-hour local hotline is fully staffed to provide help and answer questions.

In the first place match, Jones lost in a 3-1 decision to Isaiah Immke (16-6) of St. Joe.

Other wrestlers competing at regionals were Jaylyn Cobb 152, Jonathan Heron 170, Hunter Cannon 195, Landon Mills 220, and David Tyler 285.

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### Census jobs

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### Canvassers sought

Hoopeston Education Association is seeking community members to help canvass the Hoopeston area in support for the 1% sales tax referendum, which will be on the March 17 primary ballot.

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### From the Blotter

Two Hoopeston people were arrested after a traffic stop at 2:51 p.m. Monday in the 800 block of North Market.

Jessica Carpenter, 40, was cited for driving while license suspended. She was released on a notice to appear in Vermilion County traffic court.

Titus Barber, 41, was charged with possession of methamphetamine and was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville.

### Weather

Chance of snow/rain today. High 35. Tonight, snow. Low 25. Tomorrow, snow likely, then chance of snow. High 28, low -3.

For real time Hoopeston weather, visit [justthefacts.net/weather/](http://justthefacts.net/weather/).

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### Hall of Champions

Hoopeston Area High School is updating its Hall of Champions with new alumni to inspire current students to find success in college, career and life when they graduate from HAHS.

Those who know anyone starting with the class of 2005 through the class of 2019 who has or is currently achieving something great in college, career or life, please submit a picture, short sentence or two describing what they did/are doing and their graduation year to the high school office, 615 E. Orange, Hoopeston IL 60942 or email it to

### Fire Calls

Hoopeston Fire Department was called at 9:14 p.m. Monday to the 400 block of North Fourth St. for a vehicle on fire. No injuries were reported.

## Classifieds

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United Prairie-Hoopeston has opening this Spring for the following: CDL Drivers and Non-CDL. Please pick up applications at 18978 E 3850 North Rd, Hoopeston, IL 60942. For more information, please call the office, 217-888-0164 or Jordan Reese, manager, 217-918-2876.

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Grease is still being put down sinks and toilets and is clogging lines and lift stations. Grease can be collected in an empty can and thrown away when full, or allowed to cool and scraped into the garbage.

For a list of what should and should not be flushed, see "A Guide to What You Can and Can't Flush and Put down the Drain" is available at city hall or online at [www.safehome.org/resources/down-the-drain-guide/](http://www.safehome.org/resources/down-the-drain-guide/).

### Obituaries

**THORNSBROUGH** - Harlan H. Thornsborough, 91, formerly of Alvin, died at 10:15 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 8, 2020, at the Waters of Covington, Covington, Ind. Arrangements are pending at Anderson Funera. Home, Hoopeston

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