Peer leaders get a lesson in avoiding bad choices

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WILDFOOD — The message was set to a career goal and an offer, and it doesn’t get reworded by drugs.

Student leaders from high schools and middle schools from throughout the county gathered at the Wildwood Performing Arts Center for the annual Peer Leadership Conference. Cape Island is a nonprofit substance abuse-prevention and treatment agency.

Student participants were encouraged to workshops, games and activities designed to develop leadership skills and to start down a successful career path.

Students from Cape Arthur the forum to teach young people the skills needed to make a difference and influence their peers in a positive way,” said Kim Mounce, coordinator of the Cape May County Healthy Community Coalition.

The opening session featured a panel of local health professionals who offered guidance to the student peer leaders dressed in their school colors from Ocean City to Lower Cape May Regional.

Panelist Peter Belasco served two years in the Peace Corps as a volunteer in West Africa and is employed as a detective with the State Police.

Belasco said he traveled the state of New Jersey saying that the children and their education were at the heart of the mission.

“During this time, it went all the way to the Supreme Court. Two years later, it went all the way to the Supreme Court,” he said.

The legislation gives nearly every district 100 percent of approved construction projects. The legislation also provided for districts like Lower Cape May Regional district plans renovations

Residents may cast their votes on the bond referendum Jan. 26. A PeerPoint presentation outlined details for the approval of financing projects unrelated to school buildings.

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Bond issues are required for major projects. The projects we have are eligible for the bonds, said Robert Garrison Jr., chair of Garrison Architects. “Most of the buildings are 50 years old or older,” he said.

Because school budgets have a spending cap of 2 percent, there is little opportunity to accumulate reserves.

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It is proposed that $6,367,963 is needed for facility upgrades and repairs to the high school and Richland Middle School.

The project amount includes new construction of an 11,224-square-foot field house at a cost of $2.6 million. The field house would be a 12,600-square-foot building with classrooms and other activities.

It will be built over the present site of the tennis courts on the LCMR campus. The tennis courts have been damaged. She noted boxes for Priority Mail are available free at the post office.

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