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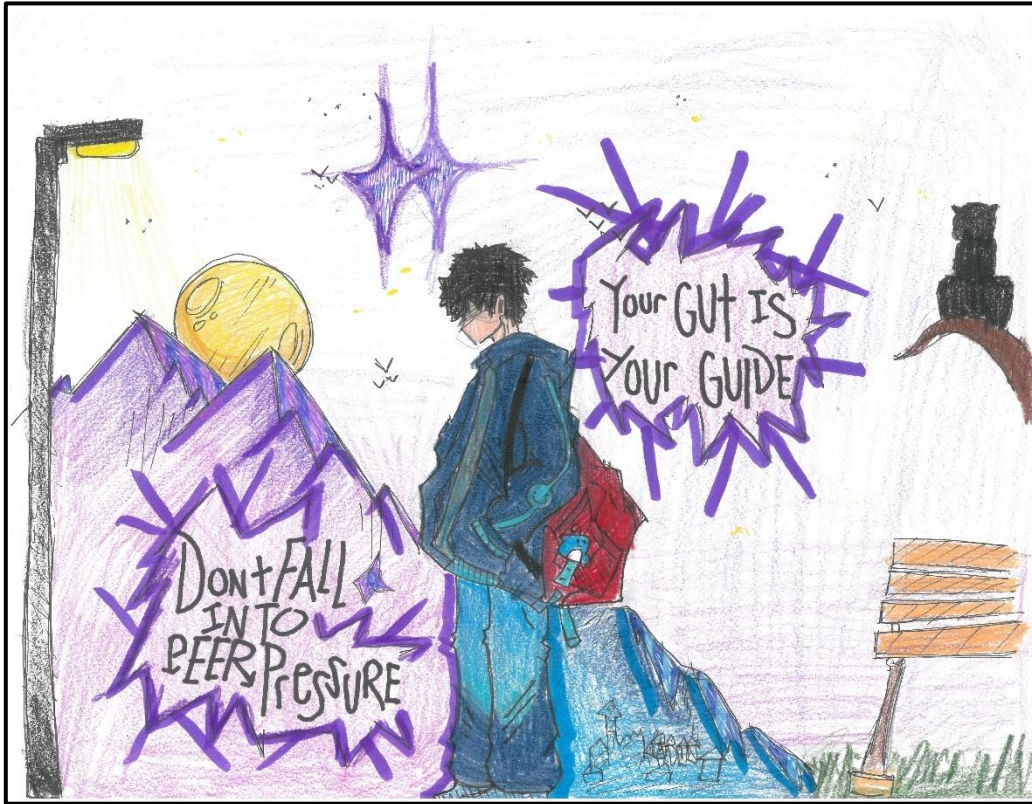
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PROSECUTOR KOLKOVICH ANNOUNCES WINNERS OF 25th ANNUAL SAFETY KIDS CALENDAR CONTEST





Annual Competition “Drew” Students from Schools Across Summit County

AKRON, OH – Today, Summit County Prosecutor Elliot Kolkovich announced the winners of the 25th Annual Safety Kids Calendar Contest. The contest educates children on “12 Rules for Staying Safe,” and draws 6th, 7th, and 8th graders from schools throughout Summit County. Participants submit their own original poster, and first place winners will have their posters featured in Prosecutor Kolkovich’s 2026 Safety Kids Calendar and on billboards throughout Summit County.

“An important part of my role as Prosecutor is to help improve public safety and educate the public—including our kids—on ways they can help keep themselves safe. This annual contest is an opportunity for students to learn more about safety, help their friends learn about safety, and be creative. It’s always fun to connect with students in Summit County through the Safety Kids Calendar,” said Prosecutor Kolkovich.

This year, the Prosecutor’s Office received over 1,000 submissions from 16 different schools. A group of community leaders—including mayors, police chiefs, legal professionals, local health care and social services professionals, and more—came together to judge the submissions for each of the 12 rules. Our judges chose 57 total winners, who were honored at an awards ceremony at the Akron-Summit Library on November 12, 2025. This year’s grand prize winner—whose poster will be the cover of the 2026 Safety Kids Calendar—is **Kadin Nguyen**, a 6th-grader from Green Middle School. Kadin’s poster provides illustration for the rule “Don’t Give In to Peer Pressure,” and urges students to follow their guts.

In addition to the “12 Rules for Staying Safe,” there are also two additional categories called “Prosecutor’s Picks.” These winners and their posters were chosen by Prosecutor Kolkovich for either their humor or their creative message.

Every winner received a congratulatory certificate from Prosecutor Kolkovich and an Amazon gift card. Prosecutor Kolkovich also extends his gratitude to the Miller South School Choir, who sang the National Anthem and “Lift Every Voice and Sing” at the event. A full list of winners can be found below.

Grand Prize Winner: Kadin Nguyen, 6th Grade, Green Middle School

Rule 1: “Trust Yourself – Don’t Give In to Peer Pressure”

1st Place: Aaliyah Hawkins, 7th Grade, Hyre Community Learning Center

2nd Place: Julina Moke, 7th Grade, Tallmadge Middle School

3rd Place: Kylee Wright, 8th Grade, Cuyahoga Falls Middle School

Rule 2: Don’t Do Drugs

1st Place: Gabriel Cortes-May, 8th Grade, Springfield Junior High School

2nd Place: Quinn Sullivan, 6th Grade, Cuyahoga Falls Middle School

3rd Place: Anna Pritchard, 8th Grade, Springfield Junior High School

Honorable Mention: Tanvi Patel, 7th Grade, Green Middle School

Rule 3: Don’t Use Alcohol

1st Place: David Maas, 8th Grade, Green Middle School

2nd Place: Olivia Cole, 6th Grade, Cuyahoga Falls Middle School

3rd Place: Gavin Nemes, 6th Grade, Immaculate Heart of Mary School

Honorable Mention: Alaijah Taylor, 7th Grade, Hyre Community Learning Center

Rule 4: Never Play With Guns

1st Place: Avery Stewart, 8th Grade, Tallmadge Middle School

2nd Place: Emery Hershberger, 7th Grade, Mogadore Junior High School

3rd Place: Georgie English, 7th Grade, Cuyahoga Falls Middle School

Honorable Mention: Madelyn Zivkovich, 8th Grade, Nordonia Middle School

Rule 5: Don’t Vape

1st Place: Dannee Ritchey, 8th Grade, Green Middle School

2nd Place: Makenna Bolyard, 7th Grade, Tallmadge Middle School

3rd Place: Sophia Oakes, 7th Grade, Green Middle School

Honorable Mention: Evan Juhasz 8th Grade, Nordonia Middle School

Rule 6: Never Give Out Personal Information Online

1st Place: Teegan Dinger, 8th Grade, Springfield Junior High

2nd Place: Abrielle Reinhardt, 6th Grade, Green Middle School

3rd Place: Charlotte Six, 6th Grade, Immaculate Heart of Mary School

Honorable Mention: Addison Orth, 6th Grade, O.H. Somers Elementary School

Rule 7: Don’t Talk to or Go With Anyone You Don’t Know

1st Place: Isabella Reyes, 7th Grade, Mogadore Junior High School

2nd Place: Parker Herold, 8th Grade, Green Middle School

3rd Place: Heaven Moo, 7th Grade, Mayfair Christian School

Honorable Mention: Presley Traikoff, 7th Grade, Green Middle School

Rule 8: Say NO to Unwanted Touch

1st Place: Aansu Pandhak, 8th Grade, Cuyahoga Middle School

2nd Place: Callie Wise, 7th Grade, Mogadore Junior High School

3rd Place: Phoebe Smith, 8th Grade, Green Middle School

Honorable Mention: Camryn McClutchen, 8th Grade, Springfield Junior High School

Rule 9: Never Tell Anyone You Are Home Alone

1st Place: Rengsona Subba, 8th Grade, Cuyahoga Falls Middle School

2nd Place: Samuel Khadka, 8th Grade, Cuyahoga Falls Middle School

3rd Place: Liliana Meuanchanh, 7th Grade, Cuyahoga Middle School

Honorable Mention: Lexi Waite, 8th Grade, Cuyahoga Middle School

Rule 10: Say NO to Gangs

1st Place: Lilliana Morabito, 6th Grade, Saint Sebastian Parish School

2nd Place: Brooklyn Payne, 8th Grade, Cuyahoga Falls Middle School

3rd Place: Haylee Ruggles, 8th Grade, Cuyahoga Falls Middle School

Honorable Mention: Laila Thompson, 8th Grade, Cuyahoga Falls Middle School

Rule 11: Stop Bullies in Their Tracks! Always Tell an Adult

1st Place: Kaycee Spencer, 8th Grade, Springfield Junior High School

2nd Place: Arissa Sorensen, 7th Grade, Cuyahoga Falls Middle School

3rd Place: Ky'anna Harvey, 7th Grade, Hyre Community Learning Center

Honorable Mention: Jacob Kendro, 6th Grade, O.H. Somers Elementary School

Rule 12: Violence at Home Is Never Okay! Your Home Should Be a Safe Place

1st Place: Oliver Bromelmeier, 7th Grade, Springfield Junior High School

2nd Place: Dani Long, 8th Grade, Springfield Junior High School

3rd Place: Grier Bedillion, 7th Grade, Cuyahoga Falls Middle School

Honorable Mention: Sarah Smith, 8th Grade, Tallmadge Middle School

Prosecutor's Picks – Creative Message Category

Gianna Melchi, 8th Grade, Holy Family School

Sophia Cora, 8th Grade, Holy Family School

Harper Salzman, 8th Grade, Nordonia Middle School

Cora McMullen, 6th Grade, Our Lady of the Elms School

Prosecutor's Picks – Humorous Category

Molly Bonomo, 8th Grade, Hudson Montessori School

Zachary Stiles, 7th Grade, Hyre Community Learning Center

Londyn Jenkins, 7th Grade, Roberts Middle School

Ella Ramsey, 6th Grade, Schrop Intermediate School

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