



## **Courageous Parenting 101**

## UNDERSTANDING SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND ITS IMPACT ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Courageous Parenting 101 is a free, four-session substance abuse education and prevention program designed by The Courage to Speak Foundation, Inc. to help parents like you understand substance abuse and its impact on children and youth. The program will be offered by a facilitator certified by The Courage to Speak Foundation, Inc. and will cover a variety of materials, such as: fundamentals of substance abuse prevention, drug trends in America, signs of drug use, communication skills, how to find out if your child is using drugs, what to do if you child is using drugs, how to access help, MTV, MySpace, FaceBook, and other timely and relevant material. The course is at **Norwalk Community College**,188 Richards Ave, Norwalk, CT and begins Wednesday, February 4, 2009 and will continue every consecutive Wednesday, February 11, 18 and 25, 2009 from 7pm to 9 pm. The February 4<sup>th</sup> session will include the Courage to Speak Presentation.

You will gain the tools and knowledge required to communicate more effectively with your children on substance abuse issues. It is expected that participating parents will demonstrate an active role in supporting children's decisions to not use tobacco, alcohol, and other drugs. You will also develop improved listening and communication skills, which have been shown to be a critical factor in the prevention of substance abuse by young people. Courageous Parenting 101 is open to parents in all communities free of charge.

REGISTRATION FREE Course for Parents

Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
Address \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_\_ Zip\_\_\_\_\_\_
Phone \_\_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ School(s) Attending \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

How Did You Hear About This Course?

TYES I/We will attend the Courage to Speak Presentation and Courageous Parenting 101 on Wednesday February

4, 2009, and each consecutive Wednesday February 11, 18 and 25, 2009. The parenting class begins at 7 pm sharp. Please arrive at 6:45 pm to sign in.

□ NO I/We cannot attend this program. Please add us to your mailing list for receipt of information and alerts on upcoming events and programs. Please return your completed Registration Form to: Courage to Speak Foundation, Inc, PO Box 1527, Norwalk, CT 06852.