Mission & Purpose

- One of the original UNITE coalitions in 2004

- 51 ACTIVE board members

- School system is core of coalition
  - The “E” in UNITE

- Strong community partnerships
  - The “Buy-In”
UNITE Clubs

- All 5 schools have clubs
- 763 student members
- Clubs participate in coalition meetings
- Positive force through community service
- “Rock Your Red Day”
Scholarships

- Hollie Barnett Scholarship
  - Named for student who helped start first UNITE Club
  - $500 merit-based scholarship given last 8 years
  - Given to student:
    - Exemplifying values of UNITE
    - Made a difference through service

- I AM UNITE Scholarship
  - $1500 merit and need-based scholarship
  - For students in Fifth Congressional District
  - Awarded to 23 students this year for a total of 42 awards
“From first breath and first day of my life I have been exposed to the drug world…”

“Being a family member of someone fighting drug addiction, I know how important it is to have a group of people stand behind you for support …”

“I have lost family members to prescription drug abuse and I have seen the horrors that drug abuse can cause…”
Chatter That Matters

- First Wednesday of month
- 30-minute live radio broadcast on WRVK 1460 AM
- Keeping people aware of what’s going on
UNITE Bowl

- 2 schools from Fifth Congressional District
- Not just the game, but an event
- Culmination of many on-going projects
- Tailgating hosted by churches
- Feed both teams after game
- “Fifth Quarter” fellowship
Wipe Out Drugs

- Toilet paper collection drive between schools
- Evolved into joint community service project
- Benefits local treatment facilities
- 53,000 rolls in past 8 years
UNITE Service Corps

- 1 of 12 Kentucky AmeriCorps programs
- Serves 11 counties in Southeastern Kentucky
- 44 active members present in 42 schools
- Provide tutoring and education in:
  - Math
  - Health & Nutrition
  - Substance Abuse
Impact of UNITE Service Corps

From 2010-2012:
- 2,176 students were tutored in math, showing a 32.65% increase in scores
- Sponsored 42 elementary school UNITE clubs with 4,237 students participating
- Educated 4,529 students in substance awareness
- Recruited 2,169 parent volunteers logging 17,621 volunteer hours
- Facilitated 1,645 students through the “UNITE On The Move!” education program
UNITE On The Move!
To One Another:

“It is important to fight and fight again, and keep fighting, for only then can evil be kept at bay though never quite eradicated.”