

## ?Body Safety Program by Terry Hall

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? ? Prevent Child Abuse of Washington County is sponsoring Terry Hall Body Safety program to be presented to all Washington County students in grades K-12 on Tuesday Wednesday, and Thursday August 26, 27, and 28 . Child abuse expert Terry Hall is a former sergeant with the Indianapolis Police Department who started developing this program in the early 1980s when he was with the child abuse unit of the Indianapolis Police Department. Today he travels across the state and country teaching children, parents, and teachers and law enforcement officers how to prevent child sexual abuse. He has presented this program to over 600,000 people nationwide and is usually booked one year in advance.

The Body Safety Program is designed to teach children how to keep their bodies safe. It is presented in age appropriate sequence to children from grades K -12. This program dispels the myths of molestation and provides parents, teachers and law enforcement officers with indicators of child molestation.

Terry Hall will hold an informational meeting for adults prior to the school presentations. All parents, teachers and community members are invited and encouraged to attend this meeting at 7 p.m. on Monday, August 25 at the Salem Middle School auditorium. Mr. Hall will provide an overview of his presentation, as well as afford parents, teachers, and community members and opportunity to ask questions regarding the information that will be presented to the children. Child care will be provided.

Parents are encouraged to attend this informational meeting so that they can make an informed decision as to whether their children participate in the Body Safety Program. Refusal slips will be available at the meeting for those parents who elect not to have their children participate.

Individuals eligible for continuing education credits may receive one hour of continuing education credit for the evening adult program by submitting their agencyÆs form for Mr. Hal;'s signature. Terry Hall is a certified trainer for the Indiana law Enforcement Academy. Parents and community members are invited to attend a body safety presentation at any of the area schools.

School Presentations on August 26 are scheduled as follows:

8:20 a.m. at Salem Lower Elementary

10 a.m. at Salem Upper Elementary

1 p.m.at Salem Middle School

2 p.m. at Salem High School

School Presentations on August 27 are scheduled as follows:

9:30 a.m. at West Washington Grades K-2:

10:30 a.m. West Washington Grades: 3-5

1 p.m. at West Washington Grades: 6-8 @ Elementary

2 p.m. at West Washington Grades: 9-12

School Presentations on August 27 are scheduled as follows:

8:30a.m.atEast Washington Grades: West Washington Grades: 3-5 @ Elementary

1p.m. at East Washington Grades: 6-8

2 p.m. at East Washington Grades: 9-1