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Crime Prevention Through 4-H/CRD

Youth can get excited and involved as they learn about crime prevention!

Through the Warren County, Iowa, 4-H/CRD program, 5th and 6th graders presented skits to classmates on vandalism and shoplifting. They also actively participated in role play situations and unfinished stories describing people their ages being tempted to do unlawful acts. Then they talked about local crime problems. A film on vandalism, brochures, and a visit by the county sheriff also were a part of the program.

The students developed crime prevention displays using a picture of a crime, a written description of the crime, and an explanation of how the crime might have been prevented. Also, classes created a list of crime prevention tips such as: shutting garage door, asking neighbors to watch the house, and using identification markers.

As a result of the discussions, the students started to think about how easily they might be pressed to try a mischievous prank that could turn out to be dangerous and a violation of the law.

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The students' crime prevention displays.