

## “Off-Ramp” thoughts/ideas/scenarios

**Someone notices and inquires about the youth’s situation.** *These are potential “off ramp”/common indicators or moments of inquiry that can create moments for intervention and help to make a different choice in the end...*

**Folks like: Teacher/School Counselor/Principle/Bus driver/Teachers  
Aid/Custodian/Office Secretary/Coach/School Resource Officer or FRIENDS**

### **Would inquire about:**

- A bruise
- Dirty clothes
- Wearing the same clothes everyday
- Hygiene
- Falling asleep in class
- Always hungry
- No school supplies
- Not doing homework
- Isolating yourself
- Showing up late to school everyday
- Missing a lot of school
- Angry
- Closed off
- Doesn’t trust adults
- Medical needs not met (Teeth, glasses, etc.)
- Living at friend’s houses
- Drug use
- Smoking
- Risky behavior

### **Doctors would inquire about:**

- Bruises
- Nutrition
- Hygiene
- Lack of parent interest

**Case Workers would inquire about:**

- Bruises
- Nutrition
- Hygiene
- Lack of parent interest

**If the youth doesn't choose to be honest and take advantage of these moments, then things could escalate to...**

- Getting hurt
- Falling behind in school
- Dropping out of school
- Losing friends
- Losing connections with important relationships in your life
- Engaging in unhealthy relationships
- Abusive relationships
- Running away
- Sleeping on other people's couches
- No food
- Going hungry
- Sleeping outside
- Being in danger
- Cold
- Alone
- Drug or alcohol Addiction
- Getting your things stolen
- Teen pregnancy