

True account: The story of Yan Lavoie, drug dealer

As a young teenager living on the South Shore, Yan felt neglected by his all-too-busy parents. He wanted to be like his father: an entrepreneur making money and profits. Drugs were Yan's gateway to the business world.

"In Secondary I, I was already selling all kinds of things. Acid, blotters, pot, all kinds of stuff." In Secondary II, he had a well-established network. Since he played sports a lot, his parents had no idea that he was also selling drugs.

Yan's business was doing well—until he was arrested by the police, that is. "I never thought I would be caught. You always think you're untouchable". Yan rapidly had to face up to the consequences of his acts: he was banned from the school prom, from his school, and even from the school board. He could no longer see his friends.

Also, his mother decided to throw him out of the house. She had had enough of Yan's lies. His stay at a reception centre, especially in an isolation room, confronted him with a choice: put an end to his "high" or continue his delinquent lifestyle. Which path did Yan choose? To find out, click [here](#).

Under the PIMS program, one of the roles of school resource officers is to combat drug trafficking in the school system. Investigations are conducted, arrests are made, and offenders are brought before the courts. Their presence is also intended to make young people who don't do drugs feel safe, in addition to helping those with substance use problems (for example, referring them to a drug addiction prevention counsellor).

What is the PIMS program?

For more information on the Programme d'intervention en milieu scolaire (school intervention program), consult [our PIMS section](#) sur on the website of the Sûreté du Québec.

Need help?

In addition to family and friends, there are outside resources that can help if you have a problem or need to confide in someone. Here are two such resources:

TEL-JEUNES
1 800 263-2266

<http://teljeunes.com/>

1 800 668 6868
JeunesseJecoute.ca

Jeunesse, l'écoute
www.KidsHelpPhone

To report a crime confidentially (drug dealing, bullying, threats, sexual or physical assaults are all crimes!):



<https://echecaucrime.com//>

Your school resource officer :
MRC :