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## News Release

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**Celebrating Quad-City Students Making a Difference  
Battle of the Bands: Saturday, March 6  
To be held from 1-5pm at River Music Experience, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Performance Hall**

On Saturday, March 6, students will be celebrating their success at the final event of United Way's 2010 Student Campaign. This year, 12 schools participated in the campaign by volunteering at the Student Day of Caring and raising money to help our community. On Saturday, we will be announcing the winning school for this year's campaign.

Battle of the Bands is a project planned by high school students who volunteer as members of United Way's Youth Advisory Council to raise additional donations and awareness of how teenagers can continue to give back to their community. The members of the council have been working on this event for the last few months and are passionate about helping those in need.

"I really like being part of the Youth Advisory Council. I can give back to my community, meet kids from other schools and learn about nonprofits in our area. It was a lot of fun to organize Battle. I can't wait to hear all of the bands!"

- Abbey Elizabeth Bryant, Youth Advisory Council member from Bettendorf High School

"It is part of United Way's work in the community to help engage high school students in philanthropy," says Scott Crane United Way of the Quad Cities Area president. "If they start knowing the benefits of giving back now, then they will continue to help others throughout their lives."

Event details are below:

Saturday, March 6 from 1-5pm  
River Music Experience, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Performance Hall  
Admission costs \$7/person and includes pop, popcorn and a free tee-shirt

The bands scheduled to play include Crushing Irony, Regan, The Faded Lines and FireSale.

**GIVE. ADVOCATE. VOLUNTEER.  
LIVE UNITED.** 

The Youth Advisory Council was established in 2007 as part of United Way's desire to help build important assets in youth. The group meets monthly with a focus on promoting the good things being done by teens in the community. Participants are students from schools across the area.

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