

## NATIONAL KICK BUTTS DAY OBSERVED AT BROCKTON HIGH SCHOOL, BENEFITTING ALL BPS STUDENTS

Wednesday, March 25, 2009 was National Kick Butts Day, a day designed to help empower our youth to stand out, speak up and seize control against Big Tobacco with fun, educational activities and events.

The Brockton High School Future Nurses Club (FNC) observed National Kick Butts Day by offering a variety of information to help keep Brockton students tobacco free. Each cafeteria at Brockton High had an informative anti-smoking poster prominently hung in front of the Housemaster's office. Stickers, pins and informational folders about the dangers of smoking were distributed freely. Every teacher received a memo pad, printed in their House color, and designed with a no smoking theme. The Future Nurses Club also held a contest for BHS students to design anti-smoking bookmarks, targeting high school, middle school and elementary students. The winners, Katina Juarez, Amanda Brothers, Bronny Daniel and Isiais Ferreira had their bookmarks reproduced and distributed to all the Brockton schools.

The FNC also participated in the **The84.org**, a grant-based movement led by young people from all over Massachusetts, focusing on taking back control of the health and minds of our youth from any influence of Big Tobacco. Through **The84.org**, young people work in their own communities to fight tobacco addiction and the industry itself. Hundreds come together from around the state to meet, network, and do some serious strategizing about how to fight tobacco.

