

# Michael Phelps

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Many of you have probably already heard about Michael Phelps' admission that he smoked marijuana just months after the Beijing games.

<http://apnews.myway.com/article/20090202/D9636EEO0.html>

Now, I am certainly not saying that I am perfect, nor am I saying that what he did was the worst thing in the world.

But as a sports figure, I feel like he has to realize that he is an idol to many kids and this will just tear those kids up.

I remember when I was younger, I was a huge fan of Michael Irvin as he had come to my neighborhood in person after a friend of mine who was doing a report on Irvin, sent him a letter asking him for some information.

Michael Irvin was a hero for us and he was willing to come throw the football around with us even though he was a stud pro athlete.

Unfortunately, just a few years later, Irvin was arrested for drugs.

It crushed me.

I am writing this not to harp on Michael Irvin or Michael Phelps. I am sure that both are great people, who just made mistakes.

I am writing this to remind you that some little guy or girl out there is looking up to you!

**Before you make a bad decision, think about who that decision will affect.**

In the same light, every time you have the decision to do some good, make sure that you take advantage of it!

That kid will be looking up to you and they will follow in your footsteps!

Make it a great day San Antonio!

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