



Party Guide for Parents

When Your Teen is Attending a Party

Know where your teenager will be. Obtain an address and phone number. Agree that he or she will call you if the location is changed.

Party Host _____

Address _____

Phone _____

- _____ Teen Initials _____ Parent Initials

Personally contact the parents of the party giver to:

- Offer assistance and support
- Verify the occasion
- Make sure the parents are aware of the party and will be present
- _____ Teen Initials _____ Parent Initials

Be certain that alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs will not be permitted. Make sure to ask – don't assume or take your teen's opinion as fact.

- _____ Teen Initials _____ Parent Initials

Agree beforehand on your teen's curfew. Keep in mind that your teen does not want to miss anything. Also, keep in mind that problems tend to arise as the evening stretches on.

- _____ Teen Initials _____ Parent Initials

Know how your teen will get to and from the party. Arrange for you or a specified adult to be available if your teen needs an unexpected ride home.

- Discuss the possible situations that might necessitate an early departure.
- Reinforce that under no circumstances should your teen get a ride from anyone other than who has been prearranged.
- Be sure you talk to your teen before EVERY party about never getting in a car with someone who has been drinking or using other drugs.
- _____ Teen Initials _____ Parent Initials

Overnights after a party. Be sure to check in with the parents where your teen is to stay to be certain your teen is there. Know when your teen is expected to be home at his/her friend's house and call. Talk to the parent and your teen.

- _____ Teen Initials _____ Parent Initials

If your teen attends a party where alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs are allowed, it is important to:

- phone and discuss your disapproval with the parents.
- discuss the legal ramifications with them.
- share notes with other parents so the issue does not stay hidden, potentially harming unaware parents and teens.
- express thanks and support to parents and teens who maintain no drug use guidelines.
- _____ Teen Initials _____ Parent Initials