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What do all parents desire for their kids?
Health—Happiness—Opportunity

Underage drinking increases during prom, graduation parties, and summer celebrations. Parents, community leaders, and other supportive adults have a huge impact on the choices kids make about these activities.

Did you know that...

Parents play an important role in impacting underage drinking:

- The strongest predictor of kids not using alcohol, marijuana, and other drugs is the belief that their parents will be upset if they do.
- The younger youth are when they start drinking, the greater their chances of becoming addicted to alcohol.
- Each year, an estimated 6,000 people under the age of 21 die from alcohol-related injuries.
- New research shows heavy drinking in the teen years can cause long-lasting harm to thinking abilities.

It is illegal for anyone under the age of 21 to possess or consume alcohol. Parents can support each other by not providing alcohol to minors. Obey the law. Encourage other parents to do the same.

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