

## **Family Pledge**

*I/We pledge to do my/our part to reduce youth access to alcohol, support enforcement, and create a healthy family and community by:*

- ✓ Serving as a positive role model with regard to any alcohol use
  - ✓ Monitoring any beer, wine, and/or liquor within our home
- ✓ Giving my child clear “no alcohol” rules and expectations, and consistent and appropriate consequences for breaking those rules
- ✓ Supervising and monitoring my child’s after school and weekend activities
- ✓ Contacting other parents when my child attends social events in their homes
- ✓ Supporting the police when they enforce underage drinking laws

*When My Child Attends an Event/Party, I will:*

- ✓ Know where my child will be – Get the addresses and phone number of the party’s host. Let my child know that I will expect a call if the location of the event changes.
- ✓ Tell the host’s parents my expectations – Let them know that I expect them to uphold the underage drinking laws in order to protect the young people in attendance.
  - ✓ Set a time when my child is expected to return home – Be awake (or ask to be awakened) when he or she arrives home. Avoid agreeing to my child’s requests for last minute “sleepovers,” if possible.
- ✓ Urge my child to NEVER ride with any driver who has been drinking – Most teenage passenger deaths are the result of alcohol-impaired teenage drivers. Be available to my child if a ride home is needed, no questions asked.

*When I Host a Party Involving Youth, I will:*

- ✓ Set ground rules with my child before the event – Share the responsibilities and planning with my child.
- ✓ Be home and actively supervise the entire event – My presence will help keep the event running smoothly and give me a chance to meet my child’s friends.
- ✓ Uphold the law – I will not serve alcohol to minors in my home, even if my child tells me that “everyone is doing it.”
- ✓ Be aware of the signs of alcohol and other drug use – Notify parents of teens who arrive at the party drunk to ensure the teen’s safe transportation home. I will not allow anyone-adult or youth-to leave my home and drive under the influence of alcohol.

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Parent/Guardian

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Date

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Youth

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Date