



Underage Drinking Laws

What Parents should know:

- As a parent, you cannot give alcohol to your teen's friends under the age of 21 under any circumstance, even in your own home, even with their parent's permission.
- You cannot knowingly allow a person under 21, other than your own child, to remain in your home or on your property while consuming or processing alcohol.

If you break the law:

- You can face a maximum sentence of 1 year in jail and/or a \$1,000 fine.
- Others can sue you if you give alcohol to anyone under 21 and they, in turn, hurt someone, hurt themselves or damage property.
- Officers can take any alcohol, money or property used in committing the offense.

Things you can do as a parent:

- Refuse to supply alcohol to children.
- Be at home when your teen has a party.
- Make sure that alcohol is not brought into your home or property by your teen's friends.
- Talk to other parents about not providing alcohol at other events your child will be attending.
- Create alcohol-free opportunities and activities in your home so teens will feel welcome.



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Call the Wyoming County Underage Drinking
Tipline at 1-800-851-1932
to report violations

Fact Sheet

Public Awareness Campaign

Subject: Underage Drinking

Target Audience: Parents of teens

Objective: Inform parents that:

- It is illegal to host or allow teen drinking parties in your home or on your property.
- It is unhealthy and unacceptable for anyone under age 21 to drink.
- It is unsafe and illegal for teens to drink.
- Parents can be prosecuted under the law.
- Everything associated with a violation, such as personal property, can be confiscated.
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