



**What Parents Should Know:**

It is illegal for a person under the age of 21 to consume alcohol, have any bodily alcohol content or have alcohol in their possession.

It is illegal to give alcohol to anyone under the age of 21 under any circumstances, even in your own home, even with their parent's permission.

You cannot knowingly allow a person under 21 to remain in your home, or on your property while consuming or possessing alcohol.

You are legally responsible if you give alcohol to a minor and they, in turn, hurt someone, hurt themselves or damage property.

**If You Break The Law:**

Providing alcohol to a minor is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine up to \$1,000 and up to 60 days in jail.

Providing alcohol to a minor, where the consumption of the alcohol is a direct cause of the person's death, is a felony, punishable by a fine up to \$5,000 or up to 10 years imprisonment or both.

**Things You Can Do As A Parent:**

Refuse to supply alcohol to anyone under 21.

Be at home when your teen has a party and make sure that alcohol is not brought into your home or property by your teen or their friends.

Talk to other parents about not providing alcohol or having un-chaperoned parties.

Talk to your teen about the risks associated with underage drinking.

Report underage drinking by calling your local police department.



**A MESSAGE TO PARENTS:**

**Don't Make the Big Mistake**

Parents have the best intentions when hosting a prom or graduation party in their child's honor, but hosting a party where alcohol is available for teens is a big mistake. Underage drinking parties are a health and safety problem with serious legal consequences.

**Parents Who Host, Lose the Most  
Don't Be a Party to Teenage Drinking**

It is illegal to host or allow teen drinking parties in your home.

It is unhealthy and illegal for anyone under age 21 to drink.

It is unsafe and illegal for teens to drink and drive.

Parents can be prosecuted under the law for providing alcohol to minors.

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