

Substance Use Education: **GRADUATION & UNDERAGE DRINKING**

Completing high school is one of life's most memorable moments and biggest achievements, which is often punctuated by celebrations with friends and family. While high school graduates are officially heading into young adulthood, they may choose to celebrate with alcohol. As adults, we must continue to model appropriate behaviors which include following the law. It has become commonplace for parents, often in an effort to be "friends" with their children, to provide alcohol at graduation parties.

Sadly, promoting underage drinking is a recipe for big problems that can lead to devastating consequences for both parents and teens. From legal problems and accidents to dangerous overdoses, the risks of giving minors alcohol at parties are very real.

For general questions about the FCPS Substance Abuse Prevention Program, please contact the Office of Student Safety & Wellness at: (571) 423-4270.

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