

**A message about Proms and Graduations from
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As the time for **prom and graduation** quickly approaches...

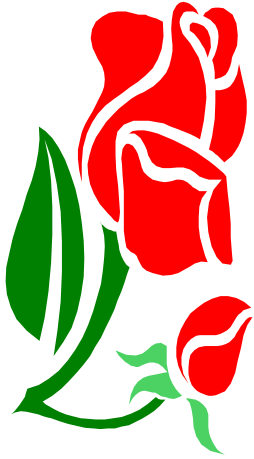
Do The Right Thing!

Youth:

- No illegal use of alcohol, tobacco or other drugs.
- Respect the rights and property of others.
- Avoid dangerous situations and don't do anything illegal.

Parents:

- Be a positive role model.
- Know where your children are and who they are with.
- Establish and enforce a reasonable curfew and clear rules for behavior.
- Tell your children you expect them to avoid alcohol, tobacco and other drug use.
 - Do not rent unsupervised hotel rooms or limousines for your child.
- Coordinate fun activities for your child & friends with other parents, school, etc.



If you have a prom or graduation party where adults and youth are present. . . .*Do The Right Thing!*

- ✓ Serve only non-alcoholic beverages to those under 21.
- ✓ Keep alcoholic beverages in a separate area, well away from those under 21.
 - ✓ Do not have a keg or an "open- bar".
- ✓ Make something other than drinking the focus of every party.

NOTE: It is a crime for any person, juvenile or adult, to provide alcohol to someone who is under the age of 21 (except your own child in your own home). Penalties may include substantial fines, out-of-home placement for juveniles and jail or prison for adults. In addition, you could be sued in civil court if the underage drinker causes damage to him/herself, to others or to property.

Let's show that we really care...let's all....

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