

Sample Morning Announcement Script

Good morning students:

(Each day, read one of the following stats and then read the paragraphs below.)

Day 1 Stat - Did you know that underage drinking is responsible for more than 4,300 annual deaths?

Day 2 Stat - Did you know that underage drinking is linked to 189,000 emergency room visits by people under age 21 for injuries and other conditions?

Day 3 Stat - Did you know that your brain isn't fully developed until age 25 and underage drinking may have life-long effects on the brain?

Day 4 Stat - Did you know that underage drinking increases the risk of physical and sexual assault?

Day 5 Stat - Did you know that kids who start drinking before age 15 years are six times more likely to develop alcohol dependence or abuse later in life than those who begin drinking at or after age 21?

Summer vacation, graduation, prom and other celebrations are just around the corner. During the next few weeks, you will be encouraged to take part in a campaign called Safe Homes Smart Parents[®]. Make the pledge to stay safe, healthy and drug and alcohol free during your celebrations!

This week, we will discuss this important topic and ask every student to take a stand against underage drinking and drug abuse. Students should engage their parents by taking home the Safe Homes Smart Parents® pledge, discussing it with their parents and sharing with them what they learned.

Also, students and parents can go online to www.informedfamilies.org/shsp, to take the pledge or to learn more about Safe Homes Smart Parents[®].

Thank you for your participation!