



# MEADA'S

## TIPS FOR SAFE AND RESPONSIBLE PARTIES

As the youth substance use prevention coalition of Wright County, MEADA (Mentorship, Education & Drug Awareness) offers these tips to help prevent youth access to alcohol at social gatherings.



### BEFORE THE PARTY

- Talk with your neighbors and let them know you are having a party
- Identify sober hosts to monitor the party for safety
- If serving alcohol, provide a way to identify those over 21
- Lock rooms that are off-limits
- If serving alcohol, separate from non-alcoholic beverages in coolers that are clearly marked and assign someone to monitor the alcohol cooler



### DURING THE PARTY

- Provide plenty of non-alcoholic beverages in separated coolers
- Avoid drinking games that promote excessive/binge drinking
- Appoint a bartender who is over 21 to serve drinks
- Don't let alcohol leave the premises
- Stop serving alcohol towards the end of the event so guests have time to sober up before going home



### AFTER THE PARTY

- If a guest appears drunk, find a sober driver or call a taxi/uber
- If someone gets into an alcohol related incident after your party, you could be held responsible

### SPOTTING & AVOIDING PROBLEMS

- Never let intoxicated guests leave alone or with strangers
- Know the warning signs of alcohol poisoning, call 911 if you think someone is in trouble



Under Wright County Social Host Ordinance #12-02, it is illegal to provide a space for underage consumption and to provide alcohol to individuals under the age of 21.



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