

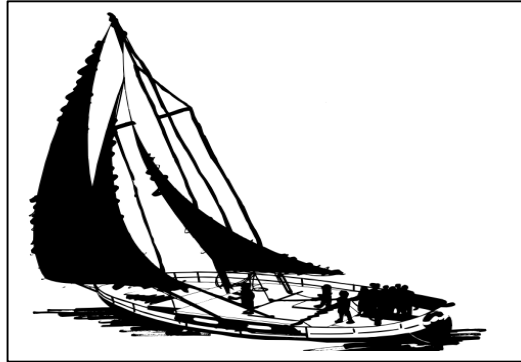
Did you know that in a 2002 survey one out of three H-K 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> graders reported drinking alcohol in the past month. Alcohol is the most widely used substance among youth statewide.

### Communication and Parental Involvement is Key

- Listen to your teen
- Communicate with other parents
- Stay involved with your child's school and sports activities
- Be reasonable, consistent and specific in your rules
- Get to know your child's friends and their parents

For more facts, tips, and information visit our website [www.hkyfs.org](http://www.hkyfs.org)

## The Prevention Council of Youth and Family Services of Haddam-Killingworth



**“All Hands On Deck!”**

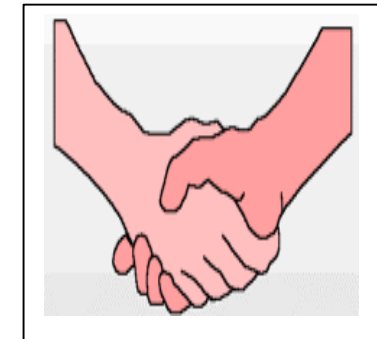
The mission of the Prevention Council is to promote the health of our community by preventing and reducing substance abuse and related problems.

Participants include people from the business community, social and youth services, schools, civic and religious organizations, police, parents students and other interested individuals.

For more information, please contact Cheryl Chandler, Prevention Council Coordinator, at Youth and Family Services of Haddam-Killingworth, Inc. (860) 345-7498, or through our website, [www.hkyfs.org](http://www.hkyfs.org).

Join with Other Haddam-Killingworth Families to Keep Our Youth Safe

## Make the H-K Safe Home Pact



Promise to Make Your Home a Safe Place Where Youth have NO Access to Alcohol & Other Drugs

(See who has already made the pact at [www.hkyfs.org](http://www.hkyfs.org))

Sponsored by the Prevention Council of Haddam-Killingworth Youth and Family Services  
Endorsed by The Boards of Selectmen of Haddam and Killingworth

## NOT ALL PARENTS HAVE THE SAME HOUSE RULES!

**Get on the same page as your  
caring neighbors!**

Parents and guardians who sign H-K's Safe Home Pact are pledging their homes will be places where young people will not have access to alcohol or other drugs, and that a responsible adult will properly supervise teen gatherings.

The Pact helps promote consistent guidelines for parents and young people in Haddam and Killingworth.

**Add your name to the list by  
making the pledge (filling in the  
form and sending it to YFS)**

**It's Easy! It's Free!  
It Could Save a Life!**

Warning: The H-K Safe Home Pact is meant to serve as a guide only. Parents should call and investigate each planned party whether or not the address is listed in the H-K Safe Home Pact. Further, the Prevention Council and Youth and Family Services of Haddam-Killingworth, Inc., nor the Towns of Haddam and Killingworth are responsible for the well-being of your child/children attending house parties in our community.

## Parties Your Kids Are Giving

1. Expect and encourage calls from parents of teens confirming the party time and place.
2. Inform parents and teens that there will be no alcohol or drugs permitted in your home or on your property.
3. Plan on being home during the entire party and exercise proper supervision.
4. Inform teens that leaving and then returning to the party will not be permitted.
5. Teens who arrive at the party under the influence can expect their parents to be called.
6. Know who is invited. Enforce a NO CRASHING policy!

## Parties Your Kids Are Going To

1. Call the parents of the party giver to:
  - verify the occasion
  - make sure a parent will be home
  - be sure that alcohol and other drugs will not be permitted.
2. Before your child leaves for the party, agree upon a specific time your child will return home.
3. Know how your teen will get to and from the party, and if needed, be available to provide transportation.
4. Tell your kids to NEVER to ride home with a driver who has been drinking or is under the influence of drugs. Instruct them to call you for a ride if needed.
5. Be awake, or be sure to have them awaken you when they arrive home.
6. Avoid spontaneous "sleep-overs" when possible.

### H-K Safe Home Pact

1. I/we agree to be present when my child hosts parties or social gatherings in my home.
2. I/we will not serve nor will knowingly allow minor guests to consume alcohol or other drugs in my home or on my property.  
I/we wish to be included in the Safe Homes directory on the YFS website: yes \_\_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_\_  
My phone number may be published on the website: yes \_\_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_\_  
My address may be published: yes \_\_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's name \_\_\_\_\_  
Other adults over 21 living at my home \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Email address \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephones: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Grade(s) \_\_\_\_\_ School(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Please cut and mail or fax to: Youth and Family Services of Haddam-Killingworth, Inc. P.O.Box432, Higganum, CT 06441-0432, fax: 860-345-8252.