

BE PREPARED TO HAVE THE DIFFICULT CONVERSATION

Before you allow your underage children to attend a party where you think alcohol may be available, take the opportunity to inform them of how alcohol and other substances—such as marijuana—can affect their bodies and minds.



NEARLY
19%
OF UNDERAGE
YOUTH

Research shows that within 2 hours of drinking, **18.5 percent of youth ages 12 to 17 also used marijuana** in 2020.*

Learn how you can keep underage youth informed about the consequences of substance misuse at underagedrinking.samhsa.gov.

SAMHSA
Substance Abuse and Mental Health
Services Administration

*Numbers from the Detailed Tables have been rounded to the nearest whole number.

Source: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality. (2021). *Results from the 2020 National Survey on Drug Use and Health: Detailed tables*. <https://www.samhsa.gov/data/report/2020-nsduh-detailed-tables>

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