



Parent Pledge

What is YOU(th) Decide?

- YOU(th) Decide aims to empower youth to make educated decisions regarding their gambling behaviors, and prepare communities to work together to **prevent underage gambling.**

Who can make a difference?

- As a **parent/guardian**, your influence in your youth's life is paramount . By signing this pledge form, you are agreeing to the below action steps to enhance your relationship with your youth, improve your youth's decision making skills, and help guide them in the right direction. Expressing your disapproval about underage gambling can **help them avoid relationship problems, depression, delinquency, and suicide..**

What action steps need to be taken?

1. **Talk with your youth about the risks of underage gambling.** Youth take parental disapproval regarding underage gambling into consideration when they're presented with gambling opportunities.
2. **Help your youth avoid gambling opportunities.** Educate your youth about gambling opportunities like scratch-offs, 50/50 raffles, and card games and that they're intended as adult activities.
3. **Let family and friends know that underage gambling is not acceptable.** Help them with gift and entertainment ideas that aren't gambling related.

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The Pledge

I, _____, pledge to talk with my youth about the risks of underage gambling, helping them avoid gambling activities, and letting family and friends know that underage gambling is not acceptable because I understand that my actions will make a difference. I pledge to continue to help my youth because their future is important to me.