

# STATISTICS SPEAK VOLUMES. PARENTS, IT'S TIME TO TALK 2 PREVENT.

Alcohol is the most commonly used and abused drug among youth in the United States. Talk to your teenager about not drinking, and keep the conversation going. They'll listen.

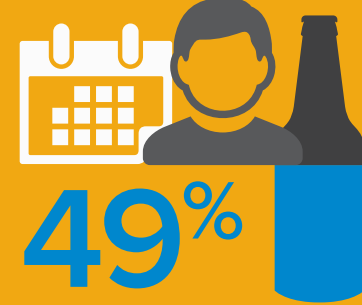


**31%**

of seniors reported at least one episode of binge drinking during the past two weeks.



Most kids who consume alcohol do so in their own home or in the home of a friend



**49%**

of high school seniors in NY have consumed alcohol in the past 30 days – that's more than 100,000 seniors.

What is binge drinking?



five or more drinks at one time for males



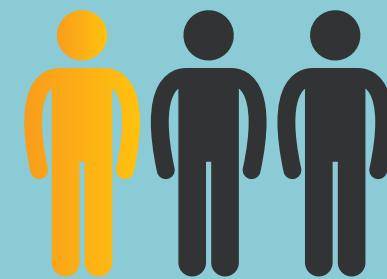
four or more drinks at one time for females

YOU CAN KEEP KIDS SAFE FROM ALCOHOL AND DRUGS. LEARN HOW.

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**1 OUT OF 3**

13-year-olds in NYS has tried alcohol



**7x**

A teen who begins drinking before the age of fifteen is 7 times more likely to have an alcohol abuse problem later in life than someone who waits until age 21 to drink alcohol.



Research indicates the brain continues to develop into the mid-twenties. Alcohol use can have a detrimental effect on the developing brain.



**52%**

Nearly 52% of NY students in grades 7-12 reported their parents had never talked to them about the dangers of underage drinking.