

Ashland Community Conversations

Reaching Ashland Parents One Conversation at a Time



Are you a coach, troop leader, or head of a community/parent/civic group? Help us reach our goal to connect with 200 Ashland parents to share valuable information about keeping youth substance-free.

What is it?

A **Community Conversation** is a small gathering of parents, grandparents or other caring adults interested in learning about youth substance abuse, the effects of substances on the developing adolescent brain and proven prevention strategies.

The purpose of this gathering is to initiate a discussion regarding youth substance use and abuse. What do you find acceptable? What are the rules in your house?

A trained facilitator attends the meeting to direct discussion and provides information regarding the trends of substance use/abuse among Ashland's youth.

Why should I host?

- You have a recognized leadership role within the community
- You are a trusted leader by parents and youth
- You have an interest in promoting health and wellness among Ashland kids and teens
- You can help create a safe and healthy community by serving as a catalyst to important discussions between other parents and parents & their kids.

How can I host?

Host a **Community Conversation** at your meeting location: Email CommunityConversations@AshlandDecisions.org to get started.

Learn more about **Community Conversations**: Email Cara Tirrell at ctirrell@ashlandmass.com to learn more about what happens during a *Conversation* and what participants can expect.

Ashland's Kids Have...

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Prevent Youth Substance Use

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