



HC DrugFree *Teen Advisory Council*

HC DrugFree’s *Teen Advisory Council* welcomes new members throughout the year and provides the teen perspective on youth use of alcohol and other drugs to the staff and Board of Directors. This teen input is used to increase the effectiveness of HC DrugFree’s programs, resources, website, and other services. The *Teen Advisory Council* is composed of Howard County high school students (public, private and home schooled) who meet monthly throughout the school year.

HC DrugFree is a Howard County nonprofit organization educating youth about the dangers of using illegal drugs including but not limited to alcohol and vapes and misusing legal medication. HC DrugFree “empowers the Howard County community to raise alcohol and drug-free youth.”

Responsibilities of the *Teen Advisory Council* will include:

- Discuss teen drinking, smoking/vaping and use of other drugs/medication
- Take action to affect their community
- Participate in developing programs, advertisements, website & brochures
- Serve as a liaison between the Teen Advisory Council and your school

Benefits of joining the *Teen Advisory Council* are:

- Meet new people from other schools
- Gain knowledge of what’s happening in Howard County
- Feel empowered to make a difference
- Hear interesting and relevant speakers on diverse topics
- Earn service hours

Expectations of *Teen Advisory Council* members:

- Attend at least 5 of the monthly Teen Advisory Council meetings
- Participate in discussions at meetings, online and by email
- Attend at least two HC DrugFree programs or events each year

**Meetings are held one Monday a month 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. at The Barn
(Columbia Association’s Teen Center located in the Oakland Mills Village Center)
5853 Robert Oliver Place, Columbia, MD 21045**

**Light refreshments provided. Must RSVP for each meeting/event.
Check the HC DrugFree website for exact dates: www.hcdrugfree.org**

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