

ADAMS COUNTY HEALTH EDUCATION

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"I want you to know that your health matters to me. Whenever you're ready to talk about substances, I'm here to listen, educate, and support you to make informed decisions."

"Peer-pressure around substances can be tough, and I want to help improve your understanding of it.

Let's discuss ways we can navigate these situations together."

"I understand that exploring different experiences is a part of growing up. I'm here to provide guidance and help you make informed choices that reflect your health and goals."

"I trust in your ability to make thoughtful decisions. Let's work together to ensure you have the knowledge and resources to stay safe when exposed to substances."

"If you've had experiences involving substances, I want you to know it's ok. I want you to know it is important you feel safe and supported"

"Our conversations are about understanding each other's perspectives. I'm here to listen without judgment about any experiences you've had with substances."

"Your well-being is important to me.

Let's have open and honest
discussions about substance use
and safety so we can support each
other through anything."

"I recognize that discussing substance use topics can be uncomfortable. I appreciate your willingness to engage in conversations with me"

"I trust in your judgment, and I believe you'll come to me if you ever need guidance or support for substance use and peer-pressure."

"Our relationship is built on mutual trust and respect. I'm here to provide guidance as you navigate through life. This might be a good opportunity for us to discuss substance safety."

"I want you to know that your health matters to me. Whenever you're ready to talk about substances, I'm here to listen, educate, and support you to make informed decisions."

Your voice is power; use it to stand up for yourself and your health.

Make decisions that align with your goals and future.

Your choices matter and make a difference. Lead by example by promoting smart decisions and leading a healthy lifestyle.

Educate yourself on the risks and benefits of activities before engaging in them. Believe in your ability to make good decisions.

Not everyone knows they need support; reach out and check on your friends. Helping others can make you feel good too, leading to a sense of empowerment.

Every day is a new opportunity. If you feel stuck, reach out to someone you trust to help you navigate back on your path to success.

Be prepared; if someone close to you struggles with substance use, know what to do in case of an emergency.

Plan your response; think of ways to say no in advance if you know you'll be in a challenging situation.

Bring a Friend; have a supportive friend with you who respects your choices.

Keep each other safe and on track for their health.

Know Your Values; remind yourself of your personal values and why they are important to you. This can be helpful to encourage thoughtful decisions.

Suggest Alternatives; propose or brainstorm different activities that don't involve substances.

Understand the Signs: Educate yourself about the physical and mental health risks and signs of abuse associated with substance use.

You can find resources on this at AdamsHealthEd.org

You will NOT face legal repercussions for calling 911 for an overdose; WA State's 911 Good Samaritan/Overdose Law protects both you and the overdose victim from drug possession charges.

Don't be afraid to call 911 for help!

Read Labels: Always read labels on medications and follow dosage instructions carefully to avoid misuse.

Avoid Mixing: Never mix substances, including alcohol with prescription or over-the-counter medications.

Emergency Contacts: Keep a list of emergency contacts and local poison control numbers handy.

Trusted Sources: Only accept medications and advice from trusted healthcare providers.

Plan Safe Rides: Always plan for a safe way home if you are in a situation where others are using substances.

Use Buddy Systems: If you find yourself in a situation involving substances, stay with a trusted friend who can help you stay safe.

Seek Help: Don't hesitate to seek help from a trusted adult or healthcare professional if you or someone you know is struggling with substance use.

Dial "988" Suicide & Crisis Lifeline 24/7 For emotional and substance use support.

Open Communication: Foster open and honest conversations about substance use with parents, teachers, or trusted adults. This can provide support and guidance when you need it.

Talk to a Counselor: School counselors can provide guidance and resources for dealing with substance use.

Read Books and Articles: Educate yourself through reading materials on substance use and its effects.

Watch Documentaries: Learn from documentaries that explore the impact of substance use.

Stay informed: keep yourself updated with credible sources about the effects and risks of different substances.

Peer Support: Surround yourself with friends who respect your choices and support a substance-free lifestyle.

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It's okay to ask questions. Learning is part of the journey towards understanding.

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You have the power to make informed choices about your well-being. Let's empower each other.

You're capable of making positive changes. Discover strategies that work for you.

Your well-being matters. Explore ways to prioritize your health and happiness.

Feeling overwhelmed is normal. Break things down and tackle them one step at a time.

You're not defined by any struggles you face. Let's focus on your strengths and resilience.

Recovery is a journey, not a destination. Let's support each other every step of the way.

It's okay to make mistakes. Let's learn from them and keep moving forward.

Your feelings are valid. Let's create a safe space to express and process them together.

You're not defined by any labels. Let's focus on your unique strengths and qualities.

Let's challenge stigma and create a culture of compassion and understanding around substance use.

Together, we can challenge stereotypes and create a more inclusive and supportive community.

Your story matters, and it deserves to be heard without fear of judgment or discrimination.

Every person deserves dignity and respect, regardless of their struggles or challenges.

Educating ourselves and others helps break down stereotypes and promote acceptance. Let's be advocates for change.

It's okay to not have all the answers.

Let's learn and grow together as a supportive community.

Every small act of kindness helps break down stigma. Let's spread kindness and support.

Empowering others to engage in open dialogue about substance use contributes to their health and personal growth.

For more information you can see all Adams Health Education resources online at AdamsHealthEd.org





