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David Cole Sheriff

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Jim Allard Undersheriff

As the fall high school sports season begins, it is important to keep in mind that our athletes will experience many temptations and powerful peer pressure. You may be an athlete's parent or guardian. No matter your role, it is essential to keep the lines of communication open with your student(s). I ask that you be ever-vigilant regarding the potential of drug and alcohol use by your children. Please stress to them the importance of not driving under the influence of any substance. Any time a driver uses drugs or alcohol, the risk of accidents and injuries increases. It is equally important that we explain to our students the serious consequences resulting from distracted driving while using a cell phone or texting.

I ask that you act as a positive role model for your children, as coaches do for their athletes. Please be pro-active and communicate with your children after sporting events to ensure they are in a safe environment and not attending a drug- or alcohol-related gathering.

I encourage you to exercise a zero-tolerance policy with regard to drug and alcohol use by your children. As a parent/quardian you should know that Steuben County has passed a Social Host Law. It is never legal for any adult to provide or allow the consumption of alcoholic beverages and/or illegal drugs by minors on private property in Steuben County. The penalties include; 1st offense a violation and a \$250 fine. 2nd offense a misdemeanor and a \$500 fine and 3rd offense a misdemeanor and a \$1,000 fine. You can make a difference. Help prevent alcohol and drug use and reduce the number of motor vehicle accidents involving our youth.

Respectfully,

David Cole

Steuben County Sheriff



Steuben County Underage Party Tip Line

Anyone with information about anything related to underage drinking - such as parties or underage sales - in Steuben County are urged to call the toll-free line. The tip line is monitored 7 days a week, 24 hours a day. All calls are anonymous.

1-877-862-4847

It is illegal to provide anyone under 21 with alcohol, even if they are your own child!