

Just the Facts



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YOUTH & ALCOHOL



**IN 2013,
41% OF YOUTH IN
WASHINGTON
COUNTY REPORTED
CONSUMING
ALCOHOL IN THE
PAST 12 MONTHS.**

Alcohol use by teens can interfere with normal adolescent brain development.

The earlier a person begins drinking alcohol, the more likely they are to develop an alcohol addiction.

Teens tend to drink less often than adults, but when they drink, they drink more.

Risks of underage drinking include: death or injury (including alcohol poisoning), impaired judgment, and increased risk of physical or sexual violence.

Underage drinking can lead to impaired school performance, memory loss, and depression.

Not sure how to start the conversation about alcohol with your child?

Check out our Tips and Tools page at www.ysb.net/tips_and_tools

Helping youth and families learn the skills they need to be more successful at home, in school and throughout the community.

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