

Provides free, safe and non judgmental rides home in the Bryan/College Station area and is available Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, 10:00 p.m. 3:00 a.m. during

the fall and spring semesters only. Look on the back of your student ID for the phone number.

### **RESPONSIBLE DECISIONS**

If you choose to drink, make sure you are drinking in a responsible manner.

- Set a limit on how much you will drink before you start
- Drink a glass of water between each drink of alcohol
- Never leave your drink unattended
- Designate a driver or use CARPOOL
- Stay with people you know well
- Don't leave with someone you don't know
- Take care of yourself and your friends

#### **PARTY PLANNING**

You can have fun, entertain your friends, relax and, yes, even drink alcoholic beverages all without violating the law, annoying your neighbors or getting the police involved.

- Card your guests
- Designate specific areas where alcohol is allowed
- Keep the number of guests to a minimum
- Know who is at your party
- Make sure there is more than one sober person
- Talk to your neighbors before the party
- Make sure you have sufficient parking
- Keep your music down
- Respect neighbors by keeping the party indoors

# SIGNS OF ALCOHOL POISONING

Call 911 if you see any one of these signs:

- Fever or chill
- Difficulty standing or walking
- Unconscious or semiconscious
- Poorly aware of surroundings
- Vomiting while unconscious or semiconscious
- Fingernail beds or gums are bluish
- Exhibits difficulty breathing

# RESOURCES

University Police Department http://upd.tamu.edu 979.845.2345

#### Alcohol and Drug Education Programs

http://studentlife.tamu.edu/adep/ 979.845.0280

#### CARPOOL

http://carpool.tamu.edu/index.asp 979.693.9905

#### **Student Health Services**

http://shs.tamu.edu/ 979.458.8250

#### **Student Counseling Service**

http://scs.tamu.edu/ 979.845.4427

#### **Student Conflict Resolution Services**

http://studentlife.tamu.edu/scrs/ 979.847.7272

**Student Rules** http://student-rules.tamu.edu/



Offices of the Dean of Student Life http://studentlife.tamu.edu

University Police Department http://upd.tamu.edu



# AGGIES and ALCOHOL

A Guide to Responsible Decision Making



# A campaign for a safer Aggieland

**STOP** 

Plan ahead! Designate a sober driver in advance.

ndividuals must be at least 21 years old to purchase, possess or consume alcoholic beverages. Texas A&M University is an educational institution dedicated to the pursuit of excellence, the promotion of academic achievement and the advancement of knowledge. Because of the university's interest in the intellectual, physical and psychological well-being of the campus community, it is important that the university take steps to curtail the abusive or illegal use of alcoholic beverages. Educating students about the effects of misuse and use of alcohol will help accomplish these goals. For more information, call Offices of the Dean of Student Life Alcohol and Drug Education Programs at 979.845.0280.

Excerpt from Appendix VIII: Texas A&M University Alcohol Rules and the Laws That Apply to Student Organizations, On Campus Residents, and Others (Revised: 2006)

# LAWS

#### Minor in Possession (MIP)

Consuming or possessing an alcoholic beverage by a minor (individuals under the age of 21) except in the visible presence of the minor's adult parent, guardian or spouse. Class C Misdemeanor.

#### Public Intoxication (PI)

Appearing in a public place while intoxicated so much that the person may endanger him/herself or another person. Class C Misdemeanor.

#### Driving under the Influence (DUI)

A minor operating a motor vehicle in a public place while having any detectable amount of alcohol in a minor's system. Class C Misdemeanor.

#### Driving while Intoxicated (DWI)

Operating a motor vehicle, aircraft or watercraft in a public place while intoxicated. A blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of .08 will automatically be a DWI, but this is not the only criterion. Class B Misdemeanor.

Providing Alcohol to a Minor or **Purchasing Alcohol for a Minor** Class A Misdemeanor.

#### PENALTIES

#### **Class C Misdemeanor**

Fine up to \$500; additional penalties include community service, alcohol awareness course and 180 days to 1 year driver's license suspension.

#### **Class B Misdemeanor**

Fine up to \$2000; additional penalties include community service and 72 hours minimum confinement.

#### **Class A Misdemeanor**

Fine up to \$4000; additional penalties include up to 1 year in jail and 180 days driver's license suspension.

#### **TEXAS A&M STUDENT RULES**

#### 24.3.8 Alcohol

Drinking or having in possession any alcoholic beverage in public areas of university premises not approved for such activity; and possession and/or consumption by a minor; and public intoxication; and driving while intoxicated.

# **POSSIBLE CONSEQUENCES FOR VIOLATING ALCOHOL POLICIES** AT TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY:



- Loss of scholarships
- Loss of leadership positions on campus
- Loss of participation in some campus events and organizations
- Alcohol education workshop ٠
- Parental notification