

Keeping It SAFE: under 21 alcohol prevention coalition
Keeping Youth SAFE: Prom & Graduation Season
Under 21 alcohol use is illegal, unhealthy, and unacceptable

☞ Do you know if your teen is with a limousine company that practices the following guidelines? Individual companies have policies that may differ from this page. Parents are urged to check with the Maryland Limousine Association, The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission (WMATC) and The Public Service Commission with any questions or concerns. All companies should have the appropriate registrations and licenses to conduct business. (Contact information on following page)

☞ Limousine/transportation costs may be as much as or more compared to the costs for shoes, a dress, flowers, hair services, tuxedo rental and dinner. When you buy/rent outfits or services folks try them on first. Customers should “try on” limousine/transportation services too. Visit the prospective limousine/transportation service to see if they will be a “good fit”!

☞ **ZERO TOLERANCE:**

The Limousine companies on the accompanying pages have a zero tolerance approach to alcohol, other drugs, paraphernalia or tobacco products. Any offender will be removed from the vehicle, the contact parent will be called, the offender’s parent(s) will be called and the evening will end.

☞ **SAFETY:**

A Limousine service is a safe way for teens to travel to proms/graduation activities. Teens are afforded a sense of independence and glamour while still being “supervised” by an adult. Limousine companies are NOT childcare services

☞ **CONTACT PARENT:**

Throughout the evening limousine drivers may call the contact parent to keep him/her apprized of the evening’s progress. Cell phone numbers of adults and youthful clients may be required.

☞ **PEACE OF MIND:**

- The Limousine service provides parents/guardians with the peace of mind of knowing their teen with an adult who is looking out for their well being
- Contracts are not made with anyone under 18 years of age
- All contacts are reviewed with the teen(s) and adult(s) before they enter the limousine. Signatures may be required
- Passengers not in the original group, will not be allowed in the limousine
- Teens are only transported to destinations that are pre-specified as described in the contract with the hired company
- No hotel drop offs
- One central pick-up location per contract. This reduces the opportunity to “smuggle” zero tolerance items into the limousine
- Back packs, large purses/bags etc. will be placed in the trunk/secure place of the vehicle. They are subject to inspection by the chauffeur
- The privacy screen will remain open at all times
- Yelling or hanging out of the windows will not be tolerated
- Vehicle media equipment will be monitored by the chauffeur
- Limousine company provided beverages allowed
- Each company has policies regarding lost/theft of personal belongings, payment expectations, refunds
- There may be additional cleaning fees or vehicle damage fees for intentional damages to the vehicle or in the event of illness related clean up.

☞ To Report an underage drinking party: MCDP 301-670-SAFE (7233); text a tip on cell to 274637 (crimes) + MCPD+ then the tip; non-emergency situation: 301-279-8000; emergency situation 911

☞ The Keeping It SAFE Coalition is not responsible or liable for the business practices of the companies listed on the following pages. [Keeping It SAFE Coalition 240-777-6652 or www.montgomerycountymd.gov/kis (March 2016)]