

VANCOUVER ISLAND **P.A.R.T.Y.**

PREVENT ALCOHOL AND RISK RELATED TRAUMA IN YOUTH

Dear Parent or Guardian:

November 20, 2018

Your teenager will be attending the **P.A.R.T.Y. Program (Prevent Alcohol and Risk Related Trauma in Youth)** at the Victoria General Hospital. The **P.A.R.T.Y. Program** is *an injury prevention program aimed at teens, to help educate them about the consequences of poor decision-making in relation to risk-taking behaviours such as: drinking and driving, lack of seat belt use, not wearing a bike helmet, etc.*

We bring students to the hospital for them to experience the process a trauma patient goes through, from the crash scene to rehabilitation. Some of the presentations provide frank explanations and show graphic photos. If your teen has recently experienced the death of a family member or friend, or any significant traumatic incident, it may not be appropriate for your teen to attend. Please carefully consider any possible negative impacts before allowing your teen to participate in this reality-based education.

We suggest that your teen eat breakfast prior to attending this workshop. I also encourage them to bring along a snack or sack lunch, as the program does not conclude until 1:15pm. A small part of this workshop is held outdoors. Students should be dressed appropriately.

I invite you to attend **P.A.R.T.Y.** with your teen to see what the program is all about. **Parent chaperones are welcome and encouraged.** If you are interested in chaperoning on the field trip please contact me at 250-479-1696 ext 228 or by e-mail jbloukes@sd61.bc.ca

Thank you in advance for your support!

Sincerely,

Jeff Loukes
Counselor
Reynolds Secondary School

My son/daughter, _____ may participate in the P.A.R.T.Y. Program on
 December 6, 2018 or **December 13, 2018**

Parent or Guardian Signature _____ **Date** _____

Emergency Contact _____ **Phone #** _____

I give permission
 I do not give permission for my teen to be included in any media publication while participating in the **P.A.R.T.Y.** program. This may include, but is not limited to, photos posted on our program information web page.

*Please return your permission form to student services by **Thursday November 29, 2018.**