



So, Your Child is Throwing a Party . . .

1. **Plan in advance**
 - Limit the guests to those who were directly invited.
 - Make sure everyone knows what time the party will end so that their rides arrive on time to pick them up.
2. **Agree to rules ahead of time, for example:**
 - No drugs
 - No alcohol
 - No smoking or chewing tobacco
 - No leaving the party and returning
 - No gate-crashing
 - Lights should be left on
 - Some rooms of the house are off limits
 - No closed doors
3. **Invite other parents over**
 - Other adults can assist in supervising the party and can help with any problems that arise.
 - Invite parents who call regarding party plans to stop by and introduce themselves that evening.
 - If parents have driven party guests to your house, invite them in to meet you.
4. **Actively supervise the party**
 - Be present at the party, not just in the home.
 - Talk to the guests periodically and observe their behavior.
 - Circulate through the house to ensure that guests are not congregating in secluded areas.
 - Set the example that you can enjoy an evening without drugs and alcohol by not drinking yourself.
5. **Plan to stay home for the length of the party.**



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