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"Where flowers bloom so does hope."

-- Lady Bird Johnson

Seeking Volunteers and Supplies



Hey HoCo! We need a few helping hands. Would you lend us yours? On Saturday April 27, we are hosting our Drive-Thru Medication & Sharps disposal and, as always, we depend on volunteers to make this event a success! We need **student**, **adult**, and **medically-trained** (pharmacists, EMTs, nurses, doctors, etc.) volunteers! We have jobs for all ages: young or young-at-heart, standing or seated (please feel free to bring a chair), introverted or extroverted! Plug into our great community with your family/friends, or join us solo and make new friends!

Special request: We are specifically in need of a**photographer** (or several) to help us document this special community event.

Don't forget: Student volunteers are eligible to receive **Community Service Hours** if all our forms are submitted prior to event. We encourage adults to accompany students.

Learn more & register to volunteer

If you can't volunteer, then please share your tables and canopy!



We are in need of several **tables** and a **canopy** for shade for our fearless sorting team to use during our medication and sharps disposal event. If you'd allow us to borrow your items, we'd appreciate if you'd drop off at 9 a.m. and pick up at 2 p.m. in the Wilde Lake Village Center parking lot near the Swim Center. Please label each item with your name and contact information so we can make sure everything is returned to the owner. Sign up to allow us to borrow your table or canopy

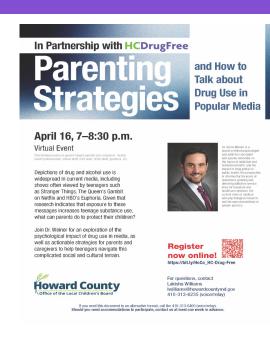
Growing Concerns of Social Media and Kids



Watch Video

The American Psychological Association is out with a new report calling for more to be done to protect young people from the potential dangers of social media.

TODAY: APRIL 16 at 7:00 PM How To Talk to Kids about Substance Misuse in the Media



Depictions of drug and alcohol use is widespread in current media, including shows often viewed by teenagers such as Stranger Things, The Queen's Gambit on Netflix and HBO's Euphoria. Given that research indicates that exposure to these messages increases teenage substance use, what can parents do to protect their children? Join Dr. Weiner for an exploration of the psychological impact of drug use in media, as well as actionable strategies for parents and caregivers to help teenagers navigate this complicated social and cultural terrain. Learn more & register

Drive-Thru Medication & Sharps Collection



Drive-Thru Medication & Sharps Disposal

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Did you know you can bring veterinary medications, sharps, & needles to our drug disposal event on Saturday April 27 from 10AM - 2PM? Whether the meds belong to you or your furry friends, we'll safely and anonymously dispose of it during our safe, convenient drive-thru event!

We are accepting: ☐ Prescription medication ☐ Over-the-counter medication □ Vitamins □ Vape devices (with the batteries removed, please!) □ Inhalers ☐ Sharps (EpiPens, syringes, needles, etc.) ☐ Veterinary medication And MORE! (If you aren't sure, just bring it!) Bringing these items to our disposal event ensures that they will be disposed of properly and not end up in our water supply or in the paws of those who may misuse them intentionally OR unintentionally. ☐ We are giving away 100 medication storage lockboxes so be sure to come right when the event begins because these aluminum combination lockboxes won't last long! (First come, first served. No holds. Limit 1 per vehicle.) Medication & Sharps Disposal Saturday April 27 • 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Wilde Lake Village Center Parking Lot (near the Columbia Swim Center) 5305 Village Center Drive, Columbia 21044 Learn more & volunteer

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Please consider becoming a Friend of HC DrugFree. Your support shows funders that you value the work that we do.Thank you for your continued support of the important work we do at HC DrugFree!

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