ARE YOU READY FOR A BRAND NEW SCHOOL YEAR? WE SURE ARE!

Use this guide at your first SADD meeting to not only get your new members acquainted with what SADD is all about, but to refresh veteran members on the importance of this organization in schools today! Not to mention, your chapter can use this guide to plan upcoming school year activities.

**STEP 1 DISCUSS THE ROLE OF A SADD CHAPTER**

Ask your students what they think the role of a SADD chapter is within a school/community and have a student write them down on the board. Here are some examples that you can include:

- Support system for students
- Liaison between the school and the community
- Example of positive leadership for students
- Spread awareness about SADD related topics: substance abuse, traffic safety and mental health
Step 2: Started from the Bottom, Now We’re Here

Next, it is important to understand all of the pieces to the puzzle in terms of SADD Nation,

SADD was formed in the Boston, MA area in 1981. Known initially as Students Against Driving Drunk, SADD expanded its mission and changed its name in 1997 to Students Against Destructive Decisions. Our core issues include underage drinking, tobacco and other drug use, traffic safety, suicide, violence, and more.

Pennsylvania SADD has been hosted by the Pennsylvania DUI Association for over 25 years. The Pennsylvania Driving Under the Influence (DUI) Association is a professional organization which is working to address the DUI problem in all of its many stages — from prevention to enforcement up to, and including, adjudication and rehabilitation. The Board of Directors believes that engaging young people in prevention and empowerment of young Pennsylvanians will help to reduce the harm caused by poor choices.

FIRST REGISTER YOUR CHAPTER! Registering your chapter will allow for communication from the state and national office. Opportunities for your chapter are announced via communication from both offices here.

- Ask your adult advisor to register your chapter at https://goo.gl/forms/CGfYzKjbkiduQ0dx2 AND http://sadd.force.com/registration
Step 3

GOING OVER THE EVENT CALENDAR & PLANNING YOUR YEAR

TAKE A LOOK AT THE SADD NATION PROGRAMMING CALENDAR FOR THE YEAR AND THINK ABOUT THE DIFFERENT AWARENESS WEEKS AND UNIFIED PROGRAMMING THAT YOU WOULD LIKE YOUR CHAPTER TO PARTICIPATE IN!

ALSO...

Also, keep in mind PA SADD Conferences are held November 9, 2016 in Lancaster and November 16, 2016 at 7 Springs Resort. Additional weeks recognized in Pennsylvania are Teen Safe Driving Week October 17-21, 2016, National Drug Facts Week January 23-29, 2017, SADD Shines Day January 30-February 3, 2017 National Kick Butts Day March 15, 2017, Global Youth Traffic Safety Month in May of 2017. Use the next few pages to write down what you would like to accomplish over the coming school year!

SEPTEMBER:

OCTOBER:
NOVEMBER:

DECEMBER:

JANUARY:

FEBRUARY:
MARCH:

APRIL:

MAY:
Step 4 Stay Connected

Make sure to get contact information from your members so that you can stay in touch!

Pennsylvania SADD uses a two fold registration system.

1. Register for PA here: https://goo.gl/formsCGfYzKjbkiduQ0dx2
2. Register with SADD National here: http://sadd.force.com/registration

Next...

Registering with SADD Nation you will have easy access to all of SADD’s programming and receive special benefits for being a registered chapter: http://www.sadd.org/get-involved/join-the-movement/chapter-reg/?utm_source=SADD+Nation&utm_campaign=eadc0ae690-Network_News_07_18_2016_7_16_2016&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_bb3510137c-eadc0ae690-168865433

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