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Dear Parents:

Through Communities that Care of Lorain County, a drug free community coalition, the Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services (ADAS) Board of Lorain County has received a four-year grant to address alcohol use—including high risk alcohol use—among students in grades 11-12 and young adults age 18-20.

The goals of the Sober Truth On Preventing (STOP) Underage Drinking-Young Adults project are to engage communities to assess, develop and implement strategies that reduce the availability of, access to and alcohol use by this population AND to change attitudes around the use of alcohol by persons under the age of 21.

We are asking permission for your son or daughter to participate in the Underage Drinking-11th and 12th Grade questionnaire. Students in 11th and 12th grades throughout Lorain County are being invited to participate through a variety of venues. The anonymous survey gathers information about alcohol use, access, availability, and perceptions of risk/harm and approval. The results will be used to help our community set priorities, create an action plan, and implement programs and strategies that address underage drinking.

This voluntary survey takes about 5 minutes to complete. Your child may leave a question blank if he or she chooses not to answer. Students do not put their names or any other identifying information on the survey. All results will be aggregated (added together and summarized). A copy of the survey is available if you wish to view it.

Thank you for supporting our efforts to help keep Lorain County youth healthy and alcohol-free.

Please mark and return this form **ONLY** if you **DO NOT WISH** for your child to participate in the survey.

Child's Name: _____

My child **MAY NOT** take part in this survey.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____