

About Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD)

Founded in 1981, SADD is the nation's premier youth health and safety organization. SADD empowers young people with the tools and resources needed to confront the risks and pressures they face every day, including substance abuse, impaired and distracted driving, mental health issues, and more. SADD shapes young people into leaders and advocates for youth health and safety in their schools and communities.

What SADD Offers Your Organization and Students

Leadership and Volunteer Opportunities

SADD provides leadership opportunities at the local, state, or national level, including free workshops and events and a student leadership council on the state and national level. SADD is also an official certifying organization for the President's Volunteer Service Award.



Scholarships and Contests

We offer periodic scholarship opportunities throughout the year through our partnerships with the National Road Safety Foundation, End Distracted Driving, and others. A contest example may include pitching a PSA idea around a topic of student safety. We've also awarded scholarships for the best memes students create around student health and safety.

A Network of Students Against Destructive Decisions

SADD Students can participate in local and national meetings and conferences. A diverse group of students meets to better advocate and address issues in their community and, sometimes, just have fun.

How SADD Operates/How to Get Involved

SADD operates through a network of chapters in schools and community-based organizations across the country. Chapters have a student base and a chapter advisor to liaison with the SADD State and National staff. SADD staff provide programmatic support and inform the chapter of student opportunities. At <u>no</u> <u>cost</u>, you can <u>register</u> your organization or school to become a SADD Chapter -- this will gain you access to our portal of resources and professional support from state SADD Staff.

SADD's National Campaigns

❖ Textless Live More: Technological wellness is more important now than ever. Textless Live More encourages students to find the balance between their screens and the world in front of them.



❖ Rock The Belt: Car crashes continue to be the largest reason for teen deaths (NHTSA). Rock the Belt is a campaign to encourage students to buckle up every time they get into a vehicle.



❖ Is It Worth The Risk: Is It Worth The Risk asks students to assess the potential risks of their decisions regarding alcohol and drug use and impaired driving.



Visit our website at <u>SADD.org</u> or email me at <u>clucio@sadd.org</u> to learn more.

