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## **ALCOHOL AWARENESS PROGRAM FOR MINORS WITH ALCOHOL OFFENSES**

Minors granted a Deferred Disposition on an alcohol related offense must complete the following:

1. Complete and provide certificate of completion for an alcohol awareness course
2. Complete the required hours of community service by the due date listed on their deferral disposition form.

### **Alcohol Awareness Course Providers:**

- **Onsite course:** <https://www.tdlr.texas.gov/court-ordered/oep/oepcourses.htm?type=AEPM>
  - Click on "Alcohol Education Program for Minors" > Search by city, zip code, or county.
- **Online course:** [www.dadaponline.com](http://www.dadaponline.com)

### **Alcohol-Related Community Service Requirements:**

*Select any combination of exercises necessary to complete the number of hours you need.*

- **Select from Exercises 1-4 listed below**
- Type single or double-spaced ONLY.
- All essays MUST have standard 1" margins on all sides,
- 12 pt. Times New Roman or Arial font.

**If these requirements are not followed, the Court may reject your work and hours performed.** Plagiarized essays will **NOT** be accepted and may result in a final judgment being entered for your case and/or in the denial or suspension of your Driver's License.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** Juvenile non-traffic records are confidential. Information regarding Juvenile cases cannot be given over the phone or via email unless it is from a number/address already provided to the Court. Otherwise, the Juvenile and/or parent must appear at the West Lake Hills Municipal Court with photo identification to obtain further information about their case, OR submit a signed (manually or electronically by typing your full name) request and photo identification.

## **EXERCISE #1: The Unconscious Truth**

**Exercise:** Watch “The Unconscious Truth” videos from the Texas Young Lawyers Association at <https://tyla.org/resource/the-unconscious-truth/>. This is a 4 part video (about 43 minutes)

**If you complete Exercise #1 you will receive:**

**4 hours of service**

Based on this video, you must answer **all** of the following questions on a separate piece of paper.

### **Respond to the following questions:**

1. Do you think Jacob committed a crime by providing alcohol from his parents’ liquor cabinet to his guests? If so, what crime?
2. Did Jacob’s 21-year old cousin commit a crime by purchasing alcohol for the party?
3. What if Hannah and Shelby did not get the bottles of vodka from the liquor cabinet? Would that change your mind about any of the criminal laws or consequences they are or could be charged with? If so, why does that make a difference?
4. Do you think Shelby would have gotten alcohol poisoning and died if there was no liquor in the house? Why or why not?
5. What signs and symptoms of alcohol poisoning were exhibited in the video?
6. What was the first sign exhibited by Shelby? When should have 911 first been called?
7. What would the police and authorities have done with the person who called 911? Would the caller been charged?
8. How could Shelby’s death have been prevented? List all steps and ways this tragedy could have been prevented.
9. List Shelby’s Rules.

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## **EXERCISE #2: Attend an AA Open Meeting**

**Exercise:** Attend an open AA meeting and write a three page report on your experience at the meeting.

\*Please keep your reports anonymous excluding all names of individuals in the group. If available, obtain a signature on the below attendance log from the meeting chairman. Meetings are usually an hour in length. A calendar with open meeting dates and times can be found at [www.austinaa.org/](http://www.austinaa.org/).

**3 page essay + meeting attendance card = 4 hours of service**

**Date of Attendance:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Location of Meeting:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of chairman:** \_\_\_\_\_

*(If you are unable to obtain a signature, bring back 1 piece of literature or brochure from the meeting.)*

### **EXERCISE #3: Jacqui's Story**

**Exercise:** Watch Jacqui's Story and write an essay reflecting the impact this story has on you. The Jacqui DVD can be checked out from the Court or watched online at [www.westlakehills.org/court/alcoholawareness](http://www.westlakehills.org/court/alcoholawareness) and click on the Jacqui Saburido Video link. This is a three part story (approximately 26 minutes total)

**3 page essay = 4 hours of service**

**Respond to the following questions:**

1. Provide a brief summary of the video.
2. How will it affect your future behaviors regarding alcohol?
3. Do you feel Reggie's punishment was adequate? Why or Why not?

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### **EXERCISE #4: MADD Victim Impact Panel**

**Exercise:** Attend a Mother's Against Drunk Driving victim impact panel meeting and write a three page report on your experience at the meeting. \*Please keep your reports anonymous excluding all names of individuals in the group. If available, obtain a signature on the below attendance log from the meeting chairman. Meetings are usually an hour in length. **A calendar with open meeting dates and times can be found at [www.maddvip.org/](http://www.maddvip.org/)**

**3 page essay + meeting attendance card = 4 hours of service**

**Date of Attendance:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Location of Meeting:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of chairman:** \_\_\_\_\_

*(If you are unable to obtain a signature, bring back 1 piece of literature or brochure from the meeting.)*