



There is no cost to attend ADAPT. The program is not a punitive measure, but a means of support to student and parents. Candidates who do not attend sessions, are disruptive during the groups, and do not comply with group rules undermine the support process and will be removed from the program. Successful candidates will receive a certificate of completion.

Failure to successfully complete the program will result in a referral for further disciplinary action.



Classes will be held on the following dates:

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Location: \_\_\_\_\_

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Time: \_\_\_\_\_

In order to receive a certificate of completion, you must :

- Attend all sessions in their entirety
- Be on time
- Complete all assignments
- Actively participate in the program

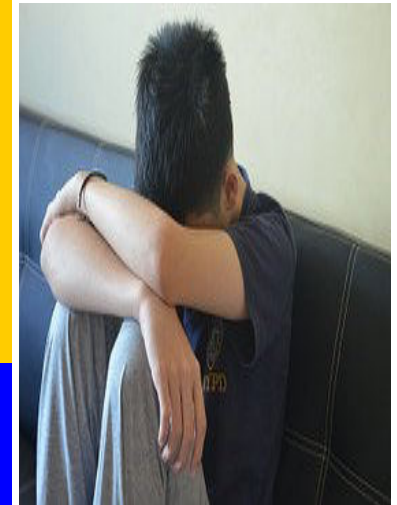
To enroll a student, please fill out the  
**Referral for School Based  
 Interventions**  
 and email to  
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**Alcohol and Other  
 Drug Alternative  
 Program for Teens**



*“The right decisions  
 are always the  
 hardest to make.  
 But they must be  
 made in order to live  
 the life you deserve!”  
 Trent Shelton*

# ADAPT

## Alcohol and other Drug Alternative Program for Teens



ADAPT is a FREE service offered through the Charleston County School District. Students who receive an alcohol, tobacco and/or other drug (ATOD) infraction will be required to participate in the program. Students are not eligible after their first offense or if their infractions involve the distribution or sale of substances.

### Program Goals

- Reduce the number of out of school suspensions related to alcohol, tobacco and other drugs.
- Prevent or delay the onset of alcohol and other drug use
- Enhance students' problem-solving skills
- Increase students' knowledge of the negative consequences of alcohol, and other drug use
- Re-establish School Connectedness and relationships with family and peer groups

The program is utilized for *educational support* only and not as a licensed and /or accredited agency. It does not take the place of an accredited alcohol and drug program or treatment. Should treatment be recommended, a referral will be made to an outside agency .

Confidentiality will be maintained unless serious abuse is occurring or current use escalates to abuse. Any known information about distribution or other criminal behavior, will be reported to Administration.

### Screening/Assessment

All students referred to ADAPT will complete a questionnaire administered by an intervention specialist . The level of intervention will be determined by the results of the questionnaire.

Students who are deemed at low risk for continued use will be monitored but will not be required to attend the edu-therapy groups. During monitoring if their risk increases they will be assigned to a group.

Students who fall in the moderate to high risk for continued use will be required to attend the weekly Edu-therapy groups.



### Edu-Therapy Group

ADAPT participants who are in need of a more Intensive intervention will attend an 8 session edu-therapy group.

The content of the group helps students recognize how their substance use effects their health, education, and relationships with others. Students will also learn adaptive coping skills and conflict resolution skills .

A parent/guardian will be required to attend the final session.



### Referral(s) to an Outside Agency

Students who meet the criteria for tier 3 (high risk) will be referred to an accredited agency for further evaluation and/or treatment. These services are usually offered at a nominal fee. The parent/guardian will be responsible for the cost of treatment.