

TEEN DRIVER VERBATIMS

2013



“A DUI cost my friend 30 G’s; you put others in danger and your pocket in danger.” –Male, 19

“It just depends on the person driving and how far you are going.” –Female, 14

“I’m usually the Sober Sister. Sometimes it’s just a bore!” –Female, 19

“No one is going to judge you for trying to protect your life.” –Male, 16

“You always have options, whether you use them is up to you.” –Male, 19



“I could not ask my parents for help at all. They would be super disappointed, I would be scared. I would try to find another solution. Calling my family would be the very last option.” –Male, 19

“My dad would drink sometimes and drive us home after having more than just one drink. He never really drove poorly.” –Male, 15

**“If my husband and I are having too much, one of us will stop if we are going to have to drive.”
–Intolerant Parent**

“I tell them, ‘You can call us and we’ll pick you up, but we are going to have a conversation about the situation.’ I want to know more about how they got into that situation. If I find out that they were instigators, then they will be in more trouble.” –Intolerant Parent



“Right before he got his license we had ‘the talk’. I told him driving was a privilege and I would take his car away if he was caught drinking and driving.” –Tolerant Parent

“I think kids just follow your lead. If you set the bar, they will follow.” –Intolerant Parent

“It’s beautiful that the kid had the strength to stand up and speak.” –Female, 15

“It just seems tragic and random.” –Female, 17

“This topic is too serious to have humor involved.” –Male, 14

“Everyone has been in a car they should not have been in.” –Male, 18-20

“Between the three of our friends we pick the less drunk.” –Female, 16-18



“If you’re in the middle of nowhere, the rules do not apply as much. My friend would have a cold one open when he is driving along in the country.” –Male, 18-20

“There really is no reason to do it. Everyone has someone they can call to pick them up.” –Female, 18-20

“It will mess your dream up. I hope your dream is bigger than that.” –Parent

“If I was wasted, I might not stop my friend from driving drunk.” –Male, 18-20

“I’ve had a couple of friends who have been very drunk and have decided to drive. They make poor decisions when they are drunk.” –Female, 16-18