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**BURNSVILLE POLICE, SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPONSOR 'NIGHT TO KNOW THE TRUTH'**

Free Event for Parents Regarding Teen Drug and Alcohol Addiction

Is your child using drugs or alcohol? How can you know? Do you know what to look for? Can it be prevented? These are the questions that will be discussed at "A Night to Know the Truth," an adult education session sponsored by the Burnsville Police Department, Independent School District 191 and "Know the Truth."

What: A Night to Know the Truth
When: Thursday, Feb. 20, 2014
7-8:30 p.m.
Where: Nicollet Junior High
400 East 134th St.

Parents, youth workers, teachers and concerned adults are invited to listen as former teenage drug users share their secrets – and discuss how they kept their drug use hidden from their parents. Prevention professionals will also be on hand to speak about current drug-use trends, root causes of addiction and means of intervention.

In the U.S., where nearly 75 percent of high school students have had more than one drink, and nearly 50 percent have used marijuana, drug and alcohol abuse prevention is more important than ever, notes the Burnsville Police Department.

Know The Truth is a substance abuse prevention program of Minnesota Teen Challenge (MNTC). The organization works with more than 120 high schools and middle schools. All speakers have first-hand experience with addiction, and speak about the choices they made and the consequences they experienced. Know the Truth also educates parents on the signs of addiction and the tools and resources used to combat it.

For more information visit www.knowthetruth.mntc.org.

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