

CAMPUS ADMINISTRATOR SUPPORT FOR CAMPUS PREVENTION EFFORTS

Consisting of 21 public and private colleges and universities, the institutional members of PIP focus on lowering college student underage and high-risk drinking, impaired driving, and other health behaviors with negative consequences. In order to achieve healthier and safer campus communities, improve retention and decrease high-risk and underage alcohol use rates, campuses implement strategic plans for prevention that include evidence-based strategies.

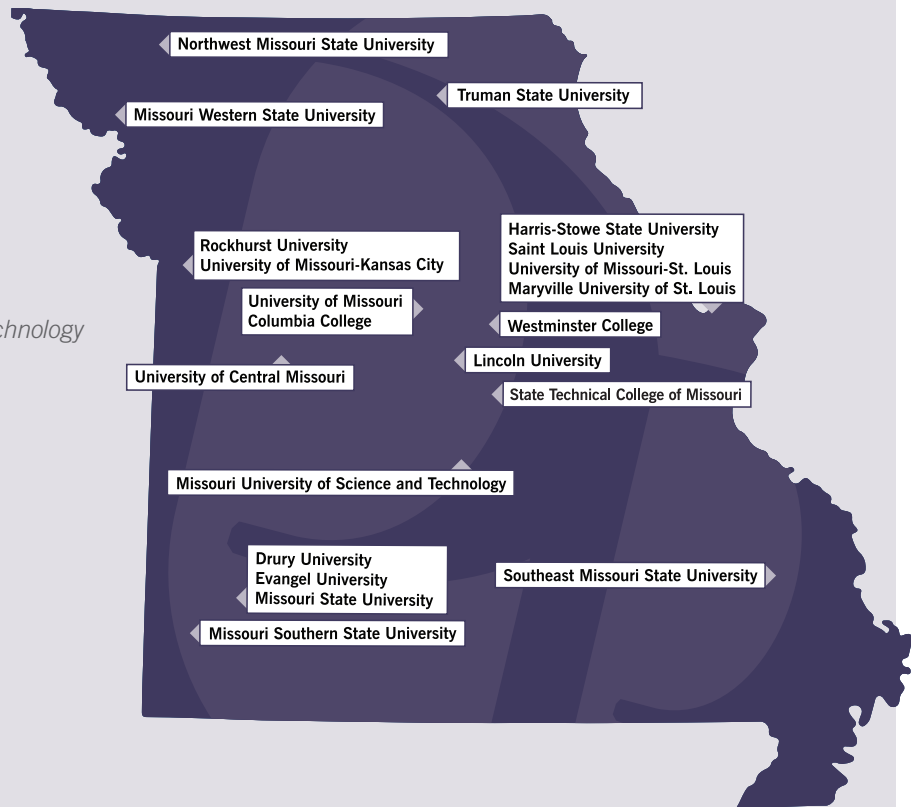
In fall 2014, campus presidents and chancellors at PIP campuses across Missouri signed Letters of Commitment to show their support to address critical campus health and safety issues on their campus and in their communities. Partners in Prevention wishes to thank these leaders for their tremendous support and visionary leadership.

Colleges and universities strive to be safe places where students thrive academically and grow personally, socially, and professionally. As leaders and staff members of institutions of higher education in the State of Missouri, it is our shared Responsibility to create a campus and community culture that encourages, supports, and enhances every student's potential.

The biggest obstacles to college students' success and retention is the misuse and abuse of alcohol, the abuse of drugs, and gender violence. College and university presidents and chancellors must address the problems caused by the inappropriate, unhealthy, and illegal use of alcohol, including gender violence. College officials must work to change the campus and community environment through an integrated combination of programs, policies, and educational campaigns.

PIP PRESIDENTS AND CHANCELLORS WHO HAVE SIGNED LETTERS OF SUPPORT

- Dr. Scott Dalrymple - *Columbia College*
- Dr. David Manuel - *Drury University*
- Dr. Carol Taylor - *Evangel University*
- Dr. Dwaun J. Warmack - *Harris-Stowe State University*
- Dr. Kevin Rome, Sr. - *Lincoln University*
- Dr. Mark Lombardi - *Maryville University*
- Dr. Alan Marble - *Missouri Southern State University*
- Mr. Clifton Smart III - *Missouri State University*
- Dr. Cheryl Schrader - *Missouri University of Science and Technology*
- Dr. Robert Vartabedian - *Missouri Western State University*
- Dr. John Jasinski - *Northwest Missouri State University*
- Rev. Thomas Curran - *Rockhurst University*
- Dr. Fred Pestello - *Saint Louis University*
- Dr. Kenneth Dobbins - *Southeast Missouri State University*
- Dr. Donald Claycomb - *State Technical College of Missouri*
- Dr. Troy Paino - *Truman State University*
- Dr. Charles Ambrose - *University of Central Missouri*
- Dr. R Bowen Loftin - *University of Missouri*
- Mr. Leo Morton - *University of Missouri-Kansas City*
- Dr. Thomas George - *University of Missouri-St. Louis*
- Dr. George Forsythe - *Westminster College*



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Therefore, as leaders of institutions of higher education in the State of Missouri, our presidents and chancellors of PIP campuses have shared their commitment to serve as a proud member of Missouri Partners in Prevention by committing to:

- » Support the work of the Partners in Prevention professionals on campus.
- » Support the work outlined in the annual campus strategic plan for prevention, authored by the Partners in Prevention professionals on campus.
- » Foster campus and community collaboration to create an environment and culture that supports and encourages healthy and responsible decision-making about alcohol.
- » Communicate to all constituents that the campus does not tolerate the abuse of alcohol and drugs.

The following suggestions for administrators are evidence-based prevention practices designed to help lower problematic drinking and drug use on campuses and increase retention.

Our Partners in Prevention members, made up of health educators, health and counseling staff, police, conduct officers, and other student affairs professionals are eager to partner with campus leaders to advance prevention efforts at your campus.

SUGGESTIONS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION ADMINISTRATORS

Support the work of the Partners in Prevention campus-coalition at your college/university.

- » Review the prevention strategic plan and relevant campus data annually with key administrators and Partners in Prevention coalition members.
- » Support the implementation of evidence-based education, policy, and enforcement to address the behavior of high-risk drinkers on campus, such as Greeks and/or student athletes.

Provide leadership on consistent messaging to students regarding the culture of drinking on campus.

- » Explore opportunities to revise, codify, and consistently enforce campus policies that support healthy community norms.
- » Lead a broad exploration of the institutional traditions, expectations, and culture that may support a high-risk drinking culture. Examine how high-risk drinking events affect the culture of drinking on campus.

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- » Task others such as marketing, alumni relations, conduct officers, orientation and parent relations, and safety representatives on campus to share in the responsibility of prevention.
- » Explore potential opportunities to partner with the surrounding community to share positive community norms.
- » Utilize faculty as an ally in prevention. Consider the effect class scheduling and test/assignment schedules and overall faculty expectations have on high-risk behavior.

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