## Programs for Redmond Parents April - May

Date	Time	Торіс	Location	Audience
Monday, April 13th	7 – 9 PM	Panel – The Risky Business of Adolescence: Local teen risk taking & experimentation	LWSD Resource Center Board Room	For parents of students 9 <sup>th</sup> grade and above
Thursday, April 23rd	7 – 9 PM	Frances Finan – College Planning: Finding the Right Fit for your Student	LWSD Resource Center Board Room	For parents of students 9 <sup>th</sup> grade and above
Monday, May 18 <sup>th</sup>	7 – 9 PM	Teen Stress (details to follow)	Redmond High Performing Arts Center	For parents of students 13 and above

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The Risky Business of Adolescence: Local trends in teen risk taking & experimentation

What problem behaviors are most common in this community? Who is likely to participate? Come hear a panel discussion by community representatives with a great deal of experience with local teens and their patterns of socializing. This discussion will include:

- The impact of leaders, follows and group thinking
- How, why & where students begin experimenting with alcohol & drugs
- What our teens face and what parents can do to help
- What can parents influence to keep their teenagers and their friends safe

Panel members include: Moderator, **Ken Wong**, Director of Teen Programs, City of Redmond; **Jeannine Ewing**, Redmond High Health teacher and parent; **Caity**, former RHS student who graduated in 2005, **Tena Youngberg**, Redmond High's Drug & Alcohol Counselor, & **Eva LaFollette**, Licensed Mental Health Counselor on the Eastside.

Come meet other Redmond parents and gain a better understanding of our student community and the decisions they face. Learn how to establish age appropriate limits & consequences; and approaches to monitoring teen activities.

Recommended for Redmond area parents of students 9th grade and up This event is sponsored by the Redmond High PTSA Questions? Contact Joanne Hall at jjjahall@juno.com

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### College Planning: Finding the right fit for your student

**Frances Finan** of Competitive Edge Consulting will present an overview of the college planning process. This information will be helpful whether your student is a freshman, sophomore or junior with intentions to attend a 2-year or 4-year college. Frances will address SAT Score Choice, how the changing economy has affected college admissions and updates in admissions policies.

Highlights will include: ★ Different pathways to college ★ Resumes – what are colleges looking for? ★ Summer options to consider – jobs, job shadows, summer camps ★ Parent's role – how (and why) you can help your student narrow the focus ★ Making the most of campus visits & college fairs

# Recommended for parents of 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade students

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Monday, May 18<sup>th</sup> from 7-9 PM at the Redmond High Performing Arts Center

#### Teen Stress

What are the sources of stress in teens' lives? Who is at risk? As a parent, how do you recognize the signs? What are the risk factors and which factors can you influence as parents? What are common outlets for stress – the good, the bad & the dangerous? How can parents support their teens? The presenters for this event will be from the teaching staff at Child & Adolescent Psychiatry Department at Seattle Children's Hospital & the University of WA School of Medicine.

Details to follow