Should the Drinking Age remain 21?

# Debate Preparation and research

**GOAL:** prepare a fact based argument for your position on the age at which Americans should be able to purchase and consume alcohol

**Resources:** articles provided in class, <https://www.niaaa.nih.gov/alcohol-health/special-populations-co-occurring-disorders/underage-drinking>, <https://www.cdc.gov/alcohol/fact-sheets/underage-drinking.htm>, [www.mayoclinic.org](http://www.mayoclinic.org)

**Directions:** Using the resources provided form a fact based opinion on what you think the legal drinking age should be. Participate in a class debate on the minimum legal drinking age.

**Product:** (you will hand this in for a grade ☺) This handout **and** An outline of your opinion based factual support that has a minimum of 5 levels, **or** A 5 paragraph persuasive essay stating your opinion and factual support, **or** a persuasive poster advocating for your opinion (factual support should be included in the poster)

**THE LEGAL DRINKING AGE SHOULD BE 21**

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**MY POSITION………**