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## **Registration Opens for the 31<sup>st</sup> Annual NC SADD Leadership Conference**

RALEIGH, NC – October 1, 2013

Registration is now open for students and chapter advisors to participate in the 31<sup>st</sup> Annual NC SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions) Leadership Conference. The Conference will be held Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>–17<sup>th</sup> at the DoubleTree Brownstone Hotel, 1707 Hillsborough Street, Raleigh. SADD's mission is to assist young people through their schools and communities to promote highway safety and reduce teen involvement with alcohol, drugs, violence, teen pregnancy and other challenges.

This year's Conference theme is "May Your Decisions Be Ever Positive," and includes presentations from StreetSafe, the Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Coalition and the National Alliance for Youth Development. It will feature a variety of student and advisor workshops, assemblies and group activities. Members of the 2013-14 SADD Student Advisory Board will preside and lead several of the sessions.

Approximately 300 participants are expected to attend from across the State. Registration fees for students and advisors, which will vary based on room occupancy, includes hotel accommodations (2 nights), meals and workshops. The registration deadline is October 25, 2013 and the [registration form](#) with cost information is available online. Scholarships are available to help offset registration costs for the first 200 registrants.

The SADD conference is sponsored in-part by grants from the NCDOT Governor's Highway Safety Program, the NC ABC Commission and the DHHS/MH/DD/SAS Office of Prevention and Early Intervention. SADD is part of the Youth Advocacy and Involvement Office within the NC Department of Administration.

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