

Generations X, Y & Z: The Toxic Culture of Teens

This class will explore how, in many ways, today's teens live in a culture that has become toxic, much like the environment around us. Just as we see the signs of toxicity and stress on our environment, today's teenagers also live with personal, social, and societal issues that often result in risk taking, danger, loss, and sometimes tragedy. Topics covered will include teen substance abuse, teen suicide, the impact of technology on teen's lives, internet concerns, firearms in the home, peer groups and peer pressure, domestic and sexual violence...and more. This class will increase parent and caregiver awareness of these issues and discuss strategies to deal with teens facing these challenges.

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