

## Arrive Alive Contest

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Tonight there is a party, there's alcohol going to be there, but you and 2 friends go anyway. You and one of your friends, Pedro, drink, but the other, Greg, does not. He just came out to be with his friends, Turns out it wont be exactly what he thinks. You want to go home so you call Pedro and Greg to leave and you try to get behind the wheel of the car. Greg tries to take your keys but cant get them away from you. You all get into the car and begin your journey home. First you are driving home and next thing you know you crash, you see flashing lights and out of no where people start surrounding you asking you questions. All 3 of you are rushed to the hospital. You suffer minor injuries, and when you're better you end up going to jail. Pedro has to have his stomach pumped and be treated for minor injuries. You see him as you are leaving the hospital in handcuffs. When you dont see Greg you ask where he is, because you dont remember anything. The hospital tells you that Greg died in the accident. All of the problems could have been prevented. If you guys had just stayed home you wouldn't be going to jail, Pedro wouldn't be hurt or having his stomach pumped, and Greg would still be alive. You go to Greg funeral, and burial. People crying, and surrounding his grave site. After he's lowered into the ground his friends start to lay the dirt into the hole. Barley 18 and dead because of something preventable. Drinking and Driving is a major preventable cause of teenage death. If you are drunk don't get behind the wheel, maybe you might lose a friend too. Call a cab or a friend, or even a parent, just don't get behind the wheel of a car, truck or anything, it could be deadly, not only for you, but for a friend too.