

A Safe Fun Large Party



Who to invite? And how to get the word around.

First of all, this is not advised for hosting a formal party, and that it's a massive one with large sums of guests, invitations will not be necessary. In this case, one way of obtaining guests is the good 'ol "spread the word" method.



- Gather a group of trusted friends who are going, ideally 6 (including yourself), then tell all your other friends about the party. Whilst doing so, inform them that they are recommended to bring along their friends as well, and that the friends of their friends are also welcomed to come along. So expect a lot of random guests.
- It is crucial that all the people who know about the party are informed that they should only bring along at-least-half-decent people, people that are known to have the ability to generally self behave. Should the problems of violence or unwelcomed guests arise it is important to also have the next thing: security.

Basic Security

Keep in mind the problems that you will encounter are not limited to the below list. To have a safer party, keep the alcoholic drinks to a minimum. Because the party has so many guests it will be difficult to keep everything safe, which is why supervisors need to be vigilant but at the same time not interfere. Things that are likely to go wrong:

- guests causing trouble ei. violence - they should be collected by parents or legal guardians, if this cannot happen call them a taxi. If the situation gets too out of hand it may be necessary to call the police.
- intoxicated guests vomiting or passing out - place the person in the recovery position, inform their parents/caregivers and if they've had excessive amounts of alcohol an ambulance may be necessary.
- noise complaints - inform neighbours beforehand about the party, keep overall music level low but have more speakers throughout the party.
- drugs that have been snuck in - inform police immediately.



During a party, household items are very likely to be damaged. To avoid things being broken, remove everything that can be smashed or knocked over. Such as vases, pot plants, paintings etc. Store all fragile household products into a specific room that will not be accessed by the party guests.

Security:

- to avoid drugs or alcohol being brought in, do not allow guests to take with them any backpacks or bags they bring. Place them into a safe area, possible the same room where all the breakables are stored. Have a trustworthy person guard the guest's belongings by restricting access to that room.
- have a grown up you trust, your dad, uncle, a close friend's dad, to man the entrance. This will be the person that tells any guests to remove any backpacks and inspect the guest for possible possession of illegal substances.
- and thirdly have a trustworthy person, preferably of older age, to patrol the scene

Theme/Aesthetics

Choose an idea or theme to base your party on, this could dictate the type of music that is played, the clothes that the guests are expected to wear and the food that is served. It is a good idea to have dim lighting for a party, fog machines can also be used to create a cool atmosphere. Disco balls and party lights help generate that party feel.

It is preferable to keep the party outside, in the backyard. This will reduce the mess that is made inside the house and you are less likely to be scrubbing drinks and food off the floor afterwards.

Food

Food is one of most people's favourite pastimes. No matter what, if there is food, there will always be a mess to clean up afterwards. Drinks can be spilt and food can be dropped. Which is why it is recommended to keep saucy foods to a minimal, and stick with finger foods. Large pizza, no matter how magnificent it is, is not ideal for massive parties, smaller bite sized alternatives are much better. Finger foods are easy to eat and easy to make as usually many can be made at a time and serve as great snacks. This will cater to larger crowds.

Drinks are a bit easier. Alcoholic drinks should be kept to a minimum, since less intoxicated people = safer environment for everyone. If alcohol is a must, preferably serve it as cocktails with a higher concentration of juice compared to alcohol than usual. Drinks such as cider and ginger beer serve as excellent alternatives to traditional alcoholic beverages. Drinks should be served with disposable, plastic cups.

Music

Music is possibly one of the utmost important features of any good party. Depending on your theme, the music that is played will differ. This is why services like Spotify is your best friend, it provides playlists filled with the specific music needed to fit the party.