

EFFECTS OF OTHER DRUGS

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Read the following case studies. Write the response that you would have if you were the judge in these cases.

Case One

Tammy, Becca, and Sydney are in the 8th grade and play on the school basketball team. After one of their games, they went to a party at Greg's house. Greg is in the 10th grade and is the best friend of Becca's brother. Greg's parents bought beer and stated that the kids could drink as long as no one drove home. Tammy drank one beer and Becca tried some marijuana that her brother gave her. Sydney did not drink and did not try marijuana. The police ended up busting the party because of loud noise.

1. Should all of the girls receive the same punishment? Why or why not?
2. Before joining the basketball team, each girl signed an agreement that they would stay drug free and that students can be terminated from the team if they use drugs. Should this happen to each of them? What should happen to each of them?
3. What, if anything, should happen to Greg's parents?
4. What punishment, if any, should the girls receive from the community?

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Case Two

Billy and David are best friends in 7th grade. They both have difficulty concentrating on their school work, and David takes a medication called Ritalin to help him with attention deficit disorder. The medicine appears to work, and David's grades have improved since he began taking the medicine. Billy continues to have problems with schoolwork, and David offered to let him try the Ritalin for a couple of days to see if it would work. David brought some of the medicine to school. On the first day, Billy took the medicine and stated that it did help. The second day, David was caught giving Billy the medicine.

1. Should both boys be punished? Should they receive the same punishment? Why or why not?
2. The school has strict policies related to drug use. Should this incident fall under the same policies as with other drugs such as alcohol and marijuana?
3. What, if anything, should the school do to each boy?
4. What punishment, if any, should the boys receive from the community?