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## CALLING AL-ANON MEMBERS FOR ALATEEN!

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**Alateen is growing in Maryland and DC (Area 24). There are plans underway to have Alateen meetings in Baltimore County Public Schools. To provide Alateen in schools, more AMIAS are needed who are available during the day. (AMIAS- Al-Anon Member Involvement in Alateen Service; aka Alateen sponsor)**

**ALATEEN** is an integral part of Al-Anon Family Groups. It is a fellowship of young people (ages 9-19) whose lives have been affected by someone else's drinking.

**ALATEENS** meet to:

- share experiences, strength, and hope with each other
- discuss difficulties
- learn effective ways to cope with problems
- encourage one another
- help each other understand the principles of the **Alateen** program
- learn how to use the [Twelve Steps](#) and [Alateen's Twelve Traditions](#)

**ALATEEN MEETINGS** follow a similar format to an Al-Anon meeting. Two AMIAS must be present at each meeting.

**AN AMIAS IS AN AL-ANON MEMBER** who serves as a sponsor in an **Alateen** meeting. A “team” of 5 or 6 AMIAS support each meeting such that 2 AMIAS serve every other week. That is just twice a month.

**TO BECOME AN AMIAS**, Area 24 requires that an Al-Anon member fulfill certain requirements to become certified including an application, two references, training and a background check. Once certified, **AMIAS** need to re-certify annually by completing a form and attending training.

**BECOME AN AMIAS TO SPONSOR MEETINGS PLANNED IN BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS:** **Ready** - go to the Area 24 Alateen website [www.alateenmddc.com](http://www.alateenmddc.com) and choose **How to become an Alateen sponsor (aka AMIAS) in Area 24 and complete steps 1-4**. If you have questions, contact the Area Alateen Coordinator, Barb M, [alateenarea24.ac@gmail.com](mailto:alateenarea24.ac@gmail.com) or call 443-379-4430 and leave a message.

**ATTEND TRAINING SUNDAY, APRIL 7, 2019 OR SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2019**