SELECTING A CHAPTER ADVISOR

Advisor must be willing to:

- Actively engage youth in problem solving, decision making, and interpersonal communication
- Provide youth with opportunities for active participation and contribution
- Establish a positive, meaningful, and caring relationship with youth
- Provide opportunities and structure for youth to succeed
- Build on what young people already value
- Have clearly defined goals and high expectations
- Provide a fun and safe environment for youth
- Serve as a gateway to other services and opportunities for young people
- Display a genuine interest
- Give opportunities for youth to share their voices

Advisor’s responsibilities include:

- Support regularly scheduled chapter meetings
- Participate in advisor and youth leadership trainings
- Assist in planning and implementation of prevention activities
- Chaperone and/or recruit chaperones for events and activities
- Submit chapter paperwork
- Review and strive to achieve Participant Requirements (updated annually)

Some “program myths/facts” for the advisor to know:

- **MYTH:** OCFNLP must host events on Friday night!
  **FACT:** Chapter members along with the advisor plan and hold meetings and activities when and where they choose. The name Friday Night Live reflects the program’s beginning stages, which focused on decreasing drinking and driving.

- **MYTH:** OCFNLP is just about having fun!
  **FACT:** Chapter members focus on building positive relationships with their peers and being active leaders and resources in their schools and communities. This is accomplished through leadership trainings, team building activities, and prevention or community engagement projects.