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Dear Class of 2025 Parents/Guardians:

As you may be aware, the number of teen-related traffic accidents and fatalities as a result of distracted driving practices such as cell phone use, speeding and recklessness continue to rise annually in Suffolk County.

In effort to better educate, prepare, and encourage our students to practice safe driving routines, all students requesting a school-issued parking permit will be required to participate in a mandatory **Distracted Driving Awareness** program. This presentation is geared towards teens and their parents. Topics will include occupant protection including seat belt use, excessive speed, passenger distraction, cell phone usage, text messaging, loud music, night driving, DWI/DWAI zero tolerance, peer pressure, overconfidence and other issues that impact young, inexperienced drivers. It will also discuss parental guideline recommendations to enforce safety measures and review state driving laws and parental liability.

This presentation is scheduled twice per school year in January and August. Current juniors are encouraged to attend the next presentation, which will be held on **Tuesday, January 23, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the high school auditorium. Given the importance of the content, a parent or guardian must attend with their child.** There will be no exceptions to this requirement. A registration link for this presentation has been posted to the high school website. The next presentation will be scheduled for the end of August 2024. Students who plan to apply for a parking permit should plan to attend one of these presentations, as there will limited opportunities to make up this requirement.

We will begin extending parking privileges to current juniors with a Class D driver's license beginning in the second semester of the 2023-24 school year. Juniors who qualify will be entered into a lottery to receive an assigned parking spot in our student lot. Only a limited number of permits will be issued, as spots have already been assigned to members of our current senior class. Application packets and more information will be mailed home and posted the high school website in January.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the high school main office (631) 870-2800.

Sincerely,

Christina Romeo

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Distracted Driving Presentation

Tuesday, January 23, 2023

7:00 p.m. HS Auditorium

Registration Link (on HS Website):

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScWO_INzU-B--FiBSAE9bholtRMChJRH1Soau2HTkib8K0Ibw/viewform?usp=pp_url