



December 18, 2019

Dear Parents:

Every year, we hear of at least one horrific automobile crash that takes the lives of young drivers because someone chose to drive distracted or while under the influence of an illicit substance. CAPE, and the Dutchess County High Schools, have joined efforts to prevent these tragedies that needlessly take the lives of our children, by hosting *Teen Driving: A Family Affair*, for students and their families. The program runs during the school year from mid-March through May.

This is a MANDATORY program for students who are applying for school parking permits, and parents/guardians who play such a crucial role in their teen's safe driving.

If you want your child to be able to drive to school, you and your student driver NEED TO ATTEND THIS EVENT.

During this program, parents and students will hear from four perspectives: insurance, medical, legal, and from a victim of an impaired or distracted driving incident, whose life has been forever changed by someone's reckless decision. These compelling accounts will reinforce every warning you've ever given, every message issued by teachers, and every public service announcement seen on television. **(Please note: Due to the sensitive nature of the perspectives presented we recommend not bringing children under twelve to the program).**

Please plan to arrive by **6:30 for registration (6:15 for Arlington, John Jay, RCK)**, so that we can begin the program promptly at 7:00. There is no need to pre-register. **We ask that parents/guardians sit with their student as this is an important and profound family event!**

Please see the 2020 Teen Driving Schedule on the next page. Again, you may attend ANY session, if you can not make it to your own school.

Best regards,

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CAPE

TEEN DRIVING SCHEDULE 2020

PLEASE NOTE: Students are welcome to attend the program at ANY High School. Registration begins at 6:30 pm (6:15 pm at Arlington, John Jay and Roy C. Ketcham). The program is 1 hour (7pm-8pm).

Spackenkill – March 18, 2020

Beacon – March 19, 2020

Red Hook- March 24, 2020

Millbrook – March 25, 2020

Arlington A-L – March 26, 2020

Dover – March 31, 2020

Rhinebeck– April 1, 2020

Arlington M-Z – April 2, 2020

Webutuck – April 15, 2020

Pawling– April 16, 2020

Roy C. Ketcham– April 21, 2020

John Jay – April 22, 2020

Pine Plains – April 28, 2020

FDR – May 7, 2020

****Student MUST be accompanied by at least one parent or guardian**

*****Admittance after 7pm will not be allowed**

NO EXCEPTIONS!