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Dear Parent or Guardian of the Class of 2024:

As you know, driving to school is a privilege that most students look forward to obtaining. With this privilege comes the responsibility of driving safely at all times.

As the Junior Class progresses towards their senior year, it is important that we remind all of our students about the responsibilities associated with receiving a driver's license. Since driver safety is such an important topic, we are requiring all student drivers who would like to park on campus during their senior year to attend a mandatory "Safe Teen Driving" assembly program on Tuesday, March 26th at 7:00 p.m. in the High School West Auditorium. **Students must attend with at least one parent/guardian.** In the event that you and your student cannot attend on this date, High School East will offer the program on Thursday, May 2nd at 7:00 p.m. in the Nesaquake Middle School Auditorium. Please contact my office for further information if needed.

This assembly will focus on safety behind the wheel and issues facing new drivers. Guest speakers for the evening will include a member of the Suffolk County Police Department Highway Patrol Division, a local insurance agent, and a special guest speaker from the Suffolk County Chapter of Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD). The evening will conclude with an overview of the high school student parking regulations.

**This assembly is a requirement for receiving a parking permit.** Again, if a student expects to receive a parking permit at any time during their senior year, they must attend this assembly with a parent or legal guardian. There will be only one other opportunity to attend a make-up assembly during the fall of 2024. **The High School will not be able to provide a parking sticker to any student who does not attend either the Spring or Fall presentation.**

Please plan to arrive with your child by 6:45 p.m. The program should end by 9:00 p.m. At the conclusion of the program, parents and students will sign a contract attesting to their awareness of the importance of safe driving decisions.

I look forward to seeing you on March 26th. Please do not hesitate to contact my office at (631)382-2905 with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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