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Dear Parent or Guardian:

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 our Junior Class progresses toward their senior year it is important that we remind all 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 and at least one parent/guardian to attend a mandatory "Safe Teen Driving" assembly program on Thursday, March 30th at 7 pm in the Nesaquake Middle School auditorium. Due to the large expected attendance, we will be having our assembly at Nesaquake to accommodate all attendees. In the event that you and your son/daughter cannot attend on this date, the program will be offered at HS West on Tuesday, April 18th at 7 pm.

This assembly will focus on safety behind the wheel and issues facing new drivers. Guest speakers for the evening may 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).

**This assembly is a requirement for receiving a parking permit.** 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 in the fall of next year. 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 no later than 6:45 pm. Parking is limited, so you may want to plan on arriving a little early. The program should end by 8:30 pm. At the conclusion of the program, parents and students will sign a contract attesting to their awareness of the importance of safe driving decisions.

We look forward to seeing you on March 30<sup>th</sup>.

Sincerely,

Michael Aleci  
Assistant Principal