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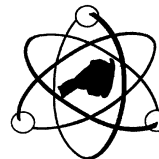
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On Wednesday, May 17th, 2006, High Technology High School will be sponsoring the "Rude Awakening" program. Attendance is mandatory for all Seniors, Juniors, and any other students attending the prom.

The first part of the program consists of an assembly, which includes Police Officers (Ptl. Roese, Ptl. Glynn) from the Middletown Township Police Department who will speak to the students about the material in the Drug and Alcohol Awareness Booklet, the Breathalyzer, and areas of concern involving the Graduated Drivers License Program for first time drivers. Ret. Det. Sgt. Michael Slover will talk to the students about substance abuse as it relates to drugs. Municipal Court Judge Richard Thompson will speak about Host Liability and Constructive Possession. Molly Berkowitz, R.N., a Trauma Nurse from Jersey Shore Medical Center, will speak about the nurse's role in the Trauma Room. Professor Midge Schuck, a Social Worker and Counselor, will speak to students about psychological treatment after the loss of a loved one. Brad Cooper, a Physical Therapist, will speak to students regarding post collision injuries involving the rehabilitation of neck and back injuries. There will also be speakers who are parents who have lost loved ones due to drivers who were under the influence of alcohol.

The second part of the program involves driving a golf cart through a coned course while wearing Fatal Vision goggles. The program is designed to show students, through a hands-on activity, the dangers of combining alcoholic consumption with driving. This is a very cost effective method in bringing this message across to students. The Fatal Vision goggles are used as a tool for showing students the effects of alcohol on perception and body control.

The students will experience the potentially fatal consequences of alcohol impairment without drinking a drop of alcohol. Students will also be able to participate in a basketball throw and a sponge toss while wearing the Fatal Vision Goggles. There are several different types of goggles, each representing a different level of impairment. The Impairment levels range from .07 - .20. This part of the program will be assisted by the NJSP Community Outreach Program, the National Park Service, and the Middletown Township Police Department.

The third part of the program will be a demonstration involving Emergency Medical Services (EMS). The demonstration is setup as a pre-arranged crash scene with at least 2 to 3 motor vehicles. Also involved in the presentation will be the Middletown Twp Police Department, First Aid Units, Fire Departments, Rescue Trucks, Paramedics, NJSP Medivac Helicopter (if available), and a Livery Service.

A new addition to the program will be the use of a crane that will drop a motor vehicle from different heights to show impact as it pertains to speed in "miles per hour".

Filming may occur, along with media coverage, such as Channel 12 and local newspapers.

Students will be exposed to graphic visual stories, pictures, and demonstrations throughout the presentation. If you or your son/daughter feels that the content will be too difficult to handle, you must contact Mr. Simon directly to discuss alternatives. The entire presentation will take approximately 6 hours, including a break for lunch at the Brookdale Student Life Center. Students may purchase lunch or may bring their own from home.

By signing below, you are agreeing to participate in the "Rude Awakening" program and release the Middletown Police Department and its agents, the New Jersey State Police and its agents, the National Park Service and its agents, Brookdale Community College, and the Monmouth County Vocational School District from any liability and for any damages that may occur as a result of participating in this event.

Student's Name (please print): _____

Parent's Name (please print): _____

Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____

P.S. Parents of students are also invited (and **encouraged**) to attend the program. Volunteers are needed to assist with supervision and anyone wishing to do so should contact Mr. Simon for more information.

Please return to main office no later than Friday, May 12th. Faxed copies will be accepted.