

### **South Lakes High School – Driver Education**

#### Parent/Guardian –Teen Traffic Safety Program

As a part of classroom driver education instruction, students and their parent/guardian are required to attend a 90-minute traffic safety program. This requirement must be met before a student will receive a Driver Education Certificate of Completion (DEC-1 card).

**This program will be held on the following dates during the 2011-2012 school year. All meetings will take place in the Auditorium.**

- **Tuesday October 4 at 7 pm**
- **Wednesday November 16 at 7 pm**
- **Thursday February 9 at 7 pm**
- **Thursday April 19 at 7pm**
- **Tuesday May 15 at 7 pm**

Parents/Guardians and their teen are required to attend the program at the time they are enrolled in classroom driver education. This program will provide parent/guardian and student with information about:

- Parent's role in teen driving
- The teenage brain
- Teen driving risks
- Graduated licensing laws in VA
- Effective driving skills
- Driver education
- Interacting with law enforcement
- Parent/teen driving contract

Please be aware of the following procedures that have been established to fulfill the requirements of the law (VA code 22.1-205):

- Student must attend with his/her parent or guardian
- Attendance for the full 90-minute presentation is required.
- Those arriving late will not be admitted. **Please plan on being seated in the theatre at least 10 to 15 minutes prior to the start of the program.**
- Those leaving early will not receive a certificate of completion
- Proper completion of the registration form is required
- Registration forms must be submitted at the conclusion of the program by the parent/guardian and student; only one form will be accepted and the form will be checked for completion
- Certificates of completion will be issued with the Driver Education Certificate of Completion (DEC-1 card) at the end of the quarter the student is enrolled in classroom driver education
- The program must be completed during the school year in which the student is enrolled in grade 10 Health & Physical Education.

If you have any questions, please contact Andrew Duggan at [amduggan@fcps.edu](mailto:amduggan@fcps.edu).

The full text of Virginia House Bill no. 1782 can be seen at <http://leg1.state.va.us/cgi-bin/legp504.exe?000+coh+22.1-205+500136>

The Commonwealth of Virginia requires all 10<sup>th</sup> grade students and their parent/guardian to attend a 90 minute traffic safety program as part of classroom driver education instruction. This requirement must be met before a student can receive a Driver Education Certificate of completion (DEC-1 card). This is a law in the Commonwealth of Virginia and is currently in effect.

All other students will need to meet the following requirements:

- A \$30 fee will be assessed to all other students and parent/guardians. This includes FCPS students in grade 11, homeschooled students, and private school students.
- Families will be required to preregister to attend a session. Families must be registered a minimum of 10 business days prior to the presentation.
- Registration form and payment should be mailed to:

Carrie Reynolds, Fairfax County Public Schools  
Fairfax Ridge – 3160  
3877 Fairfax Riadge Rd  
Fairfax, VA 22030

The following link will take you to the registration form and additional information:

<http://www.fcps.edu/is/hpe/documents/RegistrationSafeTeen.pdf>