



Ichabod Crane Central School District

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May 8, 2017

Dear Parents/Guardians and Students,

To address the growing concern of automobile accidents due to distracted driving and impaired drivers, our students in SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions) will be bringing an accident simulation to our high school on May 11, 2017. The crash scene will involve the local fire, police, 911 Emergency Services, and rescue squads who serve the Ichabod Crane School District.

This program will take place on school grounds, behind the high school from approximately 12:45-2:15 pm for students in grades 11 and 12. It will involve a mock accident scene with victims played by our SADD students and participation by our local first responders. This simulation will last approximately one hour, beginning with an assembly in the gymnasium.

While we believe this is a valuable experience for our students, especially with the prom being held on May 12, we also realize that, for some of our students, this might hit too close to home. Some may have lost friends or family members in similar incidents and the experiences we have scheduled may only bring back those traumatic memories.

With that in mind, we will have counselors available both during and after the assembly and you have the option of opting your student out of the experience. If you desire to have your child **not** attend the assembly, please send a note to my attention to the high school or send me an email stating that you would like your daughter/son not to attend the Mock Crash experience. Students who do not attend the assembly will be given an opportunity to have alternate accommodations.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Craig T. Shull'.

Craig T. Shull

Principal

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