



WESTCHESTER CRIME ANALYSIS UNION

INFORMATION BULLETIN

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SUBJECT: YOUNG DRIVER SAFETY PROGRAM



The Westchester County Police Department will be hosting a Young Driver Safety Program at the Westchester County Police Academy the week starting Monday July 14, 2008 and continuing through Friday July 18, 2008.

The program will be a one day course, held in the evening time between 5:00 pm hrs to 9:00pm, over a five day period. It will be held at the Police Academy located at 2 Dana Rd., Valhalla, N.Y. It will be open to twelve, valid licensed drivers and/or permit holders per night. The focus will be on new drivers in the 16-18 year of age range.

The course will consist of a one hour classroom lecture, PowerPoint presentation, and open discussion going over basic safety tips that would be similar to the training that is used for recruit police officers attending the academy.

There will also be a block of instruction on the dangers in distracted driving, which is the number one cause of accidents in young drivers.

The classroom will then separate into groups. One group will utilize the County Police driving simulator to go over safe aspects of driving. The students will be given several scenarios where they can be critiqued and given instruction on every day driving and also shown the dangers in intoxicated driving. They will also be given scenarios that will focus on distracted driving as well.

The second group will be given a vehicle familiarization by an Emergency Vehicle Operator's Course Instructor. They will go over basic vehicle parts, how to recognize mechanical problems with their vehicles, and what to do during emergency situations, i.e. flat tires, being involved in accidents, etc. Students will then have an EVOC Instructor drive the students around in a vehicle showing them commentary driving and proper driving habits.

The groups will then switch with one another giving each group equal instruction time on each topic.

If you wish to sign up for this course, please contact Police Officer Pete Farrell @ (914)864-7872. Please leave name and call back number. This program will be limited to the first 60 students.

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