

## PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY POLICE

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Charlie T. Deane Chief of Police Prince William, VA 22192

Dear Prince William County Parents:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for participating in the Prince William Partners for Safe Teen Driving program. I am pleased to announce that the Police Department is teaming up with the school division and our community partners to protect your children and safe-guard the motoring public.

During the fall of 2004, a tragedy occurred in our community. A teenage driver and passengers were the victims of a terrible motor vehicle crash. Because of this and several similar crashes occurring in the Washington, D.C. area, Superintendent Walts and I have tasked our staffs to work together on a program designed to better prepare young people for the challenges and experiences they face as a newly licensed driver.

The Prince William Partners for Safe Teen Driving program is the result of many meetings and ideas discussed between the concerned members of our staffs and Allstate. Our young drivers need to be as completely prepared before they assume the responsibility that comes with operating a motor vehicle. In turn many parents today have requested help in working with their children. This program is not intended to take the place of a parent's responsibility to educate their children, rather it is designed to reinforce a parent's role and ensure that young drivers are familiar with the applicable methods of instruction and laws that the school division is about to impart upon them.

I trust that by participating in this program, you will gain a better understanding of the information and methods your student driver will be taught and which will provide you with another opportunity to openly communicate with your child.

Sincerely,

Charlie T. Deane Chief of Police

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