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**School Information**

Houston High School  
206 W Spruce St  
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**Who is hosting the event?**

High School

**Date of event**

2024-03-28

**Please specify which type of event your school is having**

Project Prom

**Please confirm that a lock-in event is occurring after your Graduation/Prom.**

Yes

**Location of event**

Fun City, Mountain Grove, MO

**Estimated number of students at event**

75

**Does your school have the required roadway safety activity/presentation planned yet?**

Yes

**Would you be interested in learning about the free roadway safety programs that MoDOT has to offer?**

Yes

**What activities will occur at the event?**

School Resource Officer Cathryn Davis and Houston Police Officer AJ Rodts will give a presentation to Juniors and Seniors concerning texting and driving, seatbelt usage, and distracted driving. This will be held on March 28, 2024. The district has a half day on the 28th, no school on the 29th, and the administration felt it was a good use of a half day.

The lock-in event at Fun City, located in Mt. Grove, Missouri will be held from 11 p.m. to 5 a.m. Activities will include unlimited bowling, laser tag, arcade games, and a premier movie

held later in the evening. Pizza, popcorn, and soda will be provided for refreshments. The event will be chaperoned by high school staff.

**Clearly state your goal and action plan that will address drivers' safety issues in your school**

The purpose of the presentation is to inform and educate students on roadway safety, specifically, discouraging texting while driving, and encouraging the use of a seatbelt. The presentation will inform students of the law and make them aware of the legal consequences of their actions. After discussing the legalities there will be a discussion on the number of fatalities due to distracted driving and unrestrained occupants. The presentation will also give a real-life event presented by Officer Rodts of his experience with texting and driving. The conclusion of the presentation will include a recap of the previous information and a question-and-answer segment.

**Your Contact Information**

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