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Dear Parent/Guardian and Senior:

Congratulations seniors and members of the Class of 2020! You are now the student leaders of Center Moriches High School. You are the role models for your peers and underclassmen and will set the academic and social tone of the building! As a senior, you are given the opportunity to take advantage of several privileges that only a senior is entitled to. Your senior year is the most important one of your academic career as you complete your "self-portrait" and prepare for college and career. Privileges are as follows:

- Seniors can drive and park their cars on the high school campus (see Driving Contract and Regulations below).
- Seniors can participate in the Senior Picnic which takes place during the last day of regular classes.
- Seniors can participate in the Prom.
- Seniors can utilize the Senior Courtyard during lunch and study halls (pending weather and scheduled activities).
- Seniors can participate in the annual Commencement Exercises (Graduation Ceremony).

With these privileges come high expectations and responsibility. In order for seniors to maintain these privileges, they must be a "student in good standing." Privileges will be suspended/revoked for the following reasons:

**Not completing CSIP Requirements (Community Service and Involvement Program):**

All seniors must have their CSIP requirements completed by May 1<sup>st</sup>. If seniors have not completed said requirements, the following will take place: Seniors will not be permitted to participate in the Senior Picnic. If a senior fails to complete their CSIP requirements, they will not graduate. CSIP is a graduation requirement.

**Excessive lates to school:** Driving Privileges will be suspended if you are late to school. The exact specifics will be explained in detail during the first week of school.

**CD from any class (Attendance Policy):** Seniors that CD (credit denied due to excessive absences) from any class will not be permitted to participate in the Senior Picnic and will not be able to utilize the Senior Courtyard.

**Out of School Suspension (OSS):** Any senior that is suspended out of school will have all privileges revoked. The Discipline Committee will review all senior suspensions and make a determination regarding future privileges. Decisions rendered by the committee may be appealed to the Principal.

## **Driving Contract, Regulations and Expectations:**

Only students with a Class D License will be issued a parking permit. Beginning on Thursday, August 29th, eligible students (seniors) will be permitted to register their vehicle and pick up a parking permit. Attached is the Driving Contract which must be signed by parents/students and returned to the main office. Students are only permitted to park in the "student lot" which is numbered. Students will receive a reserved spot based on a "first come, first served basis."

We look forward to an exciting and rewarding senior year! Enjoy the remaining weeks of summer vacation!

Yours truly,



Edward William Casswell  
Principal

### **\*\*\*Important reminder!**

All seniors must attend our driving program, "Survive the Drive" with a parent or guardian in order to receive a parking permit. Presentation dates are Wednesday, August 28<sup>a</sup>, Tuesday September 24<sup>a</sup> and Tuesday January 14<sup>a</sup>. All presentations begin at 7pm in the LGI.

### **\*\*\* Important information about Drivers Education!**

- Drivers Education Fall Program begins Monday September 10<sup>th</sup>
- "Packets" will be made available beginning on Thursday, August 29<sup>th</sup> beginning at 10 A.M. in the high school main office
- "Packets" are due no later than Thursday, September 5<sup>th</sup> at 8 A.M.
- Parking stickers will be made available on Thursday, August 29<sup>th</sup> beginning at 10 A.M.

**Driving Contract**

Dear Parent:

Parking privileges will be extended to seniors (Grade 12) with Class D licenses at Center Moriches High School. Before being issued a Student-Parking Permit, every student must meet the list of rules and regulations stated below and must return the permission and registration portion of this document to the High School office in person

**\*In order to be eligible to receive a parking permit, students must be a scheduled senior.**

1. Every driver must present a valid **Class D driver's license, car registration, and valid automobile insurance card** at the time of permit registration.
2. Every student must exercise extreme caution when entering or exiting the parking area. Speeding and reckless driving is prohibited.
3. A student may go to his/her car during the school day only with an Administrator's permission.
4. Excessive lateness to school, cutting of classes and any other violations of the Code of Conduct will result in loss of driving privileges.
5. Each student will park in the numbered parking space assigned to him or her.
6. Each student who is issued a parking permit will place the sticker on the back driver's side window of the registered automobile so that it is clearly visible.
7. All New York State traffic rules and regulations pertaining to driving and auto maintenance will be in effect.
8. Every student driver must always yield to school buses. School buses always have the "right of way".
9. Any violations of the above stated rules and regulations for student drivers will result in suspension or revocation of parking privileges.

Yours truly,

Edward William Casswell  
Principal

I give my permission for my son/daughter, \_\_\_\_\_, to driver his/her car to school according to the stipulated rules and regulations stated above.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Signature

Parking Permit # \_\_\_\_\_

Parking Space # \_\_\_\_\_

Primary License Plate # \_\_\_\_\_

Person that Auto is  
Registered to: \_\_\_\_\_

Secondary License Plate # \_\_\_\_\_

I will comply with the rules and regulations stated above in this document.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

### **Restrictions on Junior License (Class DJ) Suffolk County**

You may drive between 5:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m.:

1. When accompanied by a licensed parent or guardian, driver education teacher, or driving school instructor.
2. To and from work. Work means employment on a regularly scheduled basis, at least once a week for at least four (4) consecutive weeks. You must have Form MV-58 or a letter from your employer listing the employer's name, address and phone number, your name, job description, hours and location of employment and the motorist identification number from your license. You may not drive during work (deliveries etc.).
3. To and from a state approved work-study program. This means BOCES work-study programs only. You must carry Form MV-28601.
4. To and from a college or university course that is not part of your regular school day. You must carry Form MV-287.
5. To and from a state approved evening high school. You must carry Form MV-286.1.
6. To and from a driver education course that is not part of your regular school day.
7. While engaged in farm employment. You must carry Form MV-286.1.

### **Please Note:**

1. The term to and from work means just that. It does not include driving to school or side trips of any kind. The fact that a student has an after-school job does not allow him or her to drive to school and then from school to work.
2. A Junior License is a DJ license held by a 16 year old or a 17 year old who has not completed driver education.
3. A regular operator's license may be issued to a 17 year old who has completed driver education. You must exchange your Junior License and the Course Completion Certificate (MV-285) "blue card" for a regular license (class 5 or 7). You are subject to Junior License restrictions until the exchange is actually made or until you are 18.