



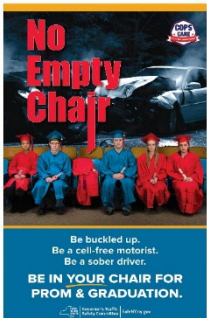
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2025 "No Empty Chair" Teen Driving Safety Campaign April 21st – April 25th

Each year, thousands of high school students across New York State look forward to attending their prom and graduation ceremony. These memorable moments for parents, siblings, educators, and the community become meaningless when a teen dies in a car crash. Regrettably, this scenario happens all too often, and law enforcement is tasked with making the difficult "knock on the door". To reduce these tragedies, the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee (GTSC) developed the "No Empty Chair" (NEC) campaign, symbolizing a missing high school student for the prom or on graduation day. During this five-day initiative (April 21 -April 25) the Village of Mamaroneck Police Department will assign patrols to focus on a different traffic safety threat each day of the week. This is also an opportunity to increase awareness about safe teen driving. Resources to educate and inform drivers ages 16-20 are available at the following link:

[Younger Drivers Toolkit | Governor's Traffic Safety Committee \(ny.gov\).](#)

Monday April 21, 2025
Tuesday April 22, 2025
Wednesday April 23, 2025
Thursday April 24, 2025*
Friday April 25, 2025

Speeding in School Zones
Seatbelt/Child restraints
Cell Phone and Texting
Operation Safe Stop*
Underage Drinking/Impaired Driving

***Operation Safe Stop** is a statewide education and enforcement initiative that targets school bus safety. Did you know that an estimated 50,000 motor vehicles illegally pass NYS school buses every day!

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