How Parents Can Help Young Drivers

- Don’t allow your Junior Operator to drive friends to or from school, a dance, game or other function. If your child is subject to the Passenger Restriction there is no exception.

- Don’t let your child ride with other Junior Operators subject to the Restriction, except with a licensed adult.

- Establish your own “family penalty” for a violation, make it serious, and let your child know it in advance.

- Don’t turn your inexperienced young driver into the family taxi driver for your other children (it’s legal, but risky).

- If your new driver has the car after school and on weekends, make sure you know who else is in it.

- Never choose convenience over safety! Don’t turn your back to violations because other parents do! It’s your child’s life.

- Tell your Junior Operator to always drive carefully and that getting home before midnight is never a reason to speed or to drive erratically.

- Don’t let your Junior Operator drive late at night without proper supervision.

- There is no exception from the Time Restriction so don’t let your child convince you that there is.

- Don’t ask your Junior Operator to run an errand late at night with the car if they may be out after midnight.

- Cell phone use is a major distraction for young drivers. Remind your child that the Safe Driver Law prohibits the use of cell phones for all drivers under the age of 18.