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MEDIA RELEASE

GOHS Awards SADD Grants to Help Save Lives

(Columbus, GA)- As part of a continuous program to involve students in efforts to reduce injuries and death of young drivers, the Georgia Governor's Office of Highway Safety (GOHS) has awarded a \$2,500 highway safety grant to six (6) high schools in the Muscogee County School District.

Grant Recipients from Muscogee County School District

Carver High School – Naomi Hitchcock, Advisor

Early College – Dawnell Jacobs, Advisor

Hardaway High School – Karen Powers, Advisor

Kendrick High School – Marilyn Lawton, Advisor

Northside High School – Sarah Bleich, Advisor

A.I.M. Program – Dr. Paulette Rameau, Advisor

Funds are used to enhance existing SADD chapters and to help reduce teen driver fatalities. GOHS believes that student input on solutions will help alleviate the problem of teen driver fatalities in Georgia.

Teen drivers represent a disproportionate number of drivers involved in crashes that involve injuries and deaths on Georgia's roadways. SADD Chapters are working with peers to prevent deaths and to change the perception that crashes are accidents. GOHS wants to assist teens and their partnering agencies with key driving issues of teens like inexperience, speed, safety, safety belt use and impaired driving conditions.

The MCSD SADD Chapters plan to conduct seatbelt checks and driving simulations in partnership with the Columbus Police Department, prom campaigns and other highway safety activities using grant funds.

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