



**GreenvilleHighSchoolAcademy
of Law, Finance, and Business**
Greenville County Schools

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

I am proud to inform you of a proactive intervention we are adding for our students who will be driving to our campus in the future. The program is called Alive at 25, and completion of the program will be required for any student that parks on campus beginning in the 2015-2016 school year. This is a one-time requirement for students, **not a class that they have to retake each year.** Statistics show that car crashes are the number one cause of death for young people between the ages of 15-24, and Greenville Senior High Academy is committed to keeping our students safe when they are behind the wheel.

Alive at 25 is an early intervention program developed by the National Safety Council to prevent traffic violations, collisions, and fatalities. It is a 4½ hour defensive driving course that addresses the dangers of speeding, failure to use seatbelts, using cell phones while driving, eating while driving, driving under the influence of alcohol and drugs, and more. It focuses on the behaviors that many young drivers exhibit behind the wheel, and then allows the student to recognize the consequences of those actions.

Classes are offered throughout the community on a regular basis and can be found at www.scaliveat25.com. For your convenience, law enforcement officers will come to Greenville Senior High Academy to teach the Alive at 25 course on two different occasions. Course dates at GHS will be April 14, 2015, after school and August 11, 2015, in the afternoon. A student can complete the course at a GHS session, or a different session in the community. When taking the course elsewhere, be sure the student indicates during the registration process that they are taking the course for a Greenville Senior High Academy parking permit. Once the student has successfully completed Alive at 25, a certificate will be sent to the school by the National Safety Council. At that point, the original certificate will be issued to the student and they will be allowed to obtain a parking permit.

Students can begin registering online at www.scaliveat25.com, or by calling the SCNational Safety Council office at 803-732-6778. The price of the course is \$35, and often provides an insurance discount for students. Questions about fees, method of payment and financial assistance can be found online or by contacting the SCNSC office. GHS cannot receive payments, nor do we receive any proceeds from this initiative. This class does not affect the parking pass fee required by Greenville High School in any way.

As part of our transition to this new requirement, **students that are rising seniors and rising juniors will be allowed to present a certificate indicating they have taken another safe driving course of equal or more length of time, and this will be accepted in place of the Alive at 25 course (This is not a yearly requirement so juniors will be credited for their senior year also).** After September 1, 2015, any new parking passes issued will require the Alive at 25 course with no exceptions regardless of grade level.

Sincerely,

Jason S. Warren, EdS
Principal
Greenville Senior High Academy