



YORKTOWN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Yorktown Students Learn about DWI

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Yorktown's Student Assistance Services, the SADD club and the High School's Resource Officer (SRO) Brian Shanahan in conjunction with the New York State Police, the Westchester County Police STOP DWI division and the Yorktown Police Departments held a DWI simulation day at Yorktown High School on Thursday October 4, 2007.

The State Police brought a crash simulator. Each person sitting in the cockpit of the simulator was treated to feeling the impact of an 8 MPH crash. The jolt, though harmless, does demonstrate the need for safety and awareness.

The County brought a new state of the art Driving simulator. A student driving in the seat is surrounded by three screens that create a 3 dimensional driving experience. As the passenger drives the car, one is presented with various hazards that test reflexes and decision making ability.

Students were also informed by Officer Shanahan about the dangers of drinking and driving and were asked to don goggles that simulate the effects of intoxication.



The various simulators along with Police and Student Services support created an open, respectful environment where students could ask questions and experience a few of the effects of driving under the influence.