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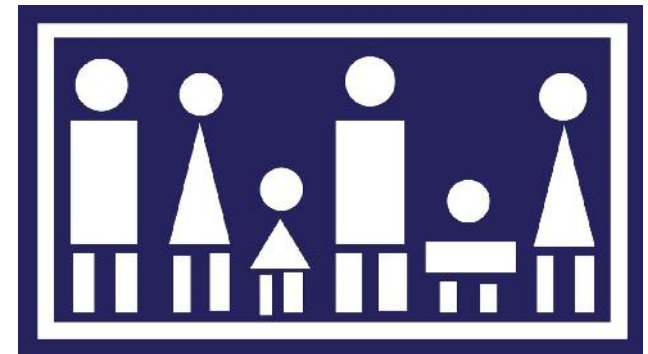
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# Community



## Parent Center



Supporting & Educating  
Families Since 1988

# ABOUT THE CENTER

## Our Mission:

The Community Parent Center's mission is to provide parents and families with education, resource information and the support they need to raise resilient children who are safe, confident, non-violent, and drug free.



**Our History:** The Parent Center is a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization, comprised of a local group of professionals and parents who share their experience and skills to provide valuable insight focused upon the needs of families in the community. It was established in 1988 by a dedicated group of school administrators and parents representing the Bellmore, North Bellmore, Merrick and North Merrick Elementary School Districts and the Bellmore/Merrick Central High School District.

## Why we do what we do!

The Parent Center's vision is to enhance our communities by providing support to the parents and children that live in them. The Center strives to empower youth, strengthen families, create healthy alternatives and establish/develop partnerships with parents within the community. The Center accomplishes this by providing quality parent education programs and workshops throughout the year.

## Our Signature Program

### Driving in the Safe Lane

The **Driving in the Safe Lane** program is designed to help reduce teen crashes and save lives through parent/teen awareness and education. The program targets parents as key players in influencing their teens to drive safely and responsibly. The **Driving in the Safe Lane** program is recognized statewide as a model for an effective school-community partnership approach to safe teen driving.



### Driving in the Safe Lane Program:

- Addresses **safety measures** and recommends **parental guidelines**
- Reviews **state driving laws** and **parental responsibility**
- Provides information about **risky behaviors** and **adolescent development**



## Program Goals

The goals of our programs are to encourage positive family change, prevent substance abuse/youth violence, and promote teen driver safety in our communities.

## Program Topics

- Teen Driver Safety
- Bullying/Cyber-Bullying
- Internet Safety Awareness
- Teen Violence Prevention
- Transition to Middle School
- Substance/Alcohol Abuse Prevention
- Sports/Nutrition/Fitness
- Health/Safety Awareness & Training

## Benefits for Parents

- Acquire necessary skills to help their children succeed in life
- Learn effective family management & discipline practices
- Develop positive prevention strategies

## Benefits for Children

- Acquire increased feelings of positive self-esteem, independence and responsibility
- Promote a heightened respect for self and others while developing social skills
- Learn coping skills, problem solving and decision making strategies