



CLEARCREEK HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

October marks the time of year when the school district meets with CDOT and the Colorado State Patrol to talk about the sun glare problem for east bound traffic on I-70 in Clear Creek County, and more specifically at Floyd Hill. Statistics provided by the Colorado State Patrol reveal that every sun glare related accident on Floyd Hill during the past four years occurred between the hours of 7:30 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. from the first week of November until the third week of January. As a result of our meeting, and the accident statistics, the following actions, options, and suggestions are being provided:

- **We will begin our Sun Glare schedule on Monday, November 5th. First Period will start ten minutes later at 8:30 a.m. Dismissal time is still 3:30 p.m.**
- Insist your students RIDE THE BUS during the months of November, December and January. School buses are larger, higher, and slower than most cars. They are also much safer in the event of an accident. Bus schedules can found on the district's website.
- If your student is going to drive to and from school, make sure they are aware of the following instructions:
 - **Avoid driving on Floyd Hill or Stagecoach Blvd. between 7:30 a.m. and 8:00 a.m.**
 - Check your washer fluid often. (The high school will have washer fluid available for \$1.00 per gallon).
 - Clean the inside of your windshield with Windex or other glass cleaner daily to reduce fogging on the inside of the window.
 - Wear sunglasses and use your sun visor.
 - Slow down on wet or icy roads or when encountering sun glare problems.
 - Road conditions are posted and other up to date information are accessible on the website at: cotrip.org as well as safe driving tips for winter conditions. There are also Floyd Hill cameras that can be accessed from that website.
 - If a student is in an accident and the vehicle is operable, CDOT and the State Patrol recommend that they **do not get out of the vehicle**; if possible, drive the car to the exit at the top of Floyd Hill and wait at the park and ride for assistance; or move the vehicle off the road as far as possible and stay seat-belted in the car.

I encourage you to check our website often to keep up with what is going on at Clear Creek High School. Go Diggers!

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Gardner, Principal