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Thumbs Up to Babylon High School Students Pledging NOT to Text and Drive

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Babylon High School students took a pledge to X the Text while driving as part of Allstate Insurance Company's national public awareness campaign. Students received thumb bands which read "Txtng Kills" to remind them that texting while driving is one of the most dangerous driver distractions facing teens today.

Senator Owen H. Johnson had an opportunity to chat with Babylon students who attended the event at Babylon High School. Students had an opportunity to add their thumb prints to a pledge banner making its way to 28 cities across the country. Babylon High School received a \$1000 Allstate grant for a Safe Teen Driving Program. Allstate will also donate \$1 to the National Organization for Youth Safety (NOYS) for every Facebook pledge supporter of [Facebook.com/thumbsuppledge](https://www.facebook.com/thumbsuppledge).