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### **“Every 15 Minutes” Program to Provide Teens with Reality Check**

*Event on April 14 and 15 will get teens to think about the consequences of drinking and driving*

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Later this week, the City of Temple City will present a reality check – and its “Every 15 Minutes” program – to students at Temple City High School.

“Every 15 Minutes” is a national two-day program involving high school juniors and seniors, which gets them to make mature decisions when it comes to drinking and driving, and to evaluate how their decisions can impact family, friends and many others.

Starting Thursday at 11 a.m., a 9-1-1 call will be broadcasted over the school’s public announcement system reporting a serious traffic collision on Temple City Blvd. Students and staff will then report to the scene to witness a re-enactment of an alcohol-related traffic collision. The re-enactment involves a student being pronounced dead at the collision site, and another student being arrested and booked at Temple Sheriff’s Station for drunk driving.

Additionally, a student will be pulled out of class by the Grim Reaper every 15 minutes as mock drunken-driving fatalities, representing real accidents that occur every 15 minutes. Those students will then spend the night at a chaperoned retreat and, at an assembly on Friday, will share what they learned with their fellow students.

The grant funded program is being held in cooperation with the Temple City Unified School District, Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department, California Highway Patrol, Los Angeles County Fire Department, California Office of Traffic Safety and other local agencies. For more information, contact Deputy Rick Adams at (626) 292-3313.

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