Parent-Young Driver Agreement

Completing this contract with parents helps new drivers understand expectations and take responsibility for safe driving. During the first year of driving, young drivers must be accompanied by a supervising driver in the passenger seat and for the first six months they are further restricted to driving only from 5 a.m. to 9 p.m.

**Young Driver**

I promise to:

- ☐ Obey all traffic laws, including speed limits.
- ☐ Follow others at a safe distance.
- ☐ Always wear a seat belt and require passengers to do as well.
- ☐ Never drive after drinking/taking drugs or ride with someone who is impaired.
- ☐ Always tell a parent where I am going and if I will be late getting home.
- ☐ Always call home if I feel it is unsafe for me to drive.
- ☐ Never use a cell phone or text while driving.

**Parent**

I promise to:

- ☐ Be a good role model behind the wheel.
- ☐ Enforce limitations to driving based on the law and my young driver’s behavior and skill level.
- ☐ Discuss any risky/dangerous driving by my young driver after the driving session.
- ☐ Provide a safe ride home if my young driver calls and feels unsafe to drive, with no questions asked (at that time).
- ☐ Provide at least 60 hours of supervised driving experience in a wide variety of situations.

We agree to the above rules and agree to enforce consequences and limitations when violated.

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This agreement and driving tips provide a structure for following the North Carolinas graduated drivers licensing (GDL) system and practicing safety skills with a young driver. They do not guarantee the prevention of death or injury and should not be the only source of information used.

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