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**NORFOLK SHERIFF'S OFFICE SCHOOLS STUDENTS AT DEDHAM HIGH ON
DANGERS OF DISTRACTED DRIVING**

Norfolk County Sheriff Michael G. Bellotti's innovative program to teach young people the perils of distracted driving was on the road in Dedham in recently.

The program employs a computerized simulator attached to a car to give young drivers a better idea of the risks they take when they are distracted by using their phone while driving. The program also informs the students about the dangers of driving while impaired.

"Young people - and older people as well - take risks when they text or talk on the phone while driving," Sheriff Bellotti said. "This program is designed to help keep our young drivers safe by making sure they focus on the road."

Community Outreach Officer Jim Ross of the Norfolk Sheriff's Office took the program to Dedham High School to

demonstrate to students what happens when drivers try to do two things at once while behind the wheel.

"Young people have the ability and desire to be excellent drivers," Sheriff Bellotti said. "We want to help them achieve that goal."

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