

# Take the PLEDGE

# NoTEXTINGwhileDRIVING

In our 24/7 world text messaging is increasingly becoming the way we communicate today. Unfortunately, some people may be texting from behind the wheel of a moving vehicle.

Did you know that recent studies found those who text while driving are 23 times more likely to be involved in some type of safety critical event as compared to those drivers who don't text while driving?

You can help ensure that our roads are safer. Please read and understand these tips. Then make it official by signing the personal pledge.

- Be smart. Never text while driving. No text message is worth being distracted and getting into an accident.
- Be caring. Don't send a text to anyone when you know they are driving, or to anyone you know is likely behind the wheel.
- Be in control. Remember it's your phone. You decide if and when to send and read texts so take control. Consider turning your phone off, setting it to silent or even set it aside before hitting the road.
- Be an example. Don't send the wrong signal by texting while you drive. Your family and friends will follow your example.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, have read and understand the tips and pledge to be a safer driver by not texting while driving.

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

## Whatever the MESSAGE...it can WAIT.

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Please return your signed pledge to Central Community Hospital by March 31st to be eligible for a drawing to win a hands free Bluetooth, compliments of Alpine Communication. Drawing will be held April 8, 2011. Winner will be notified.