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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 "Txting Kills" to remind them that texting while driving is one of the most dangerous driver distractions facing teens today.

Senator Owen H. Johnson attended the event at Babylon High School as students added 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).

Photo left to right: Krista Conte, Senior Manager, Corporate Relations for Allstate Insurance Company; Robert Visbal, Principal, Babylon Junior/Senior High School; Students Tatiana Vasquez and Vanessa Morales; and Senator Owen H. Johnson.