

Momma & Daddy Got Me Riding Happy

Reving up their engines and weaving through traffic, teens rushed to school to show off their hot wheels. Teens spent thousands of dollars on their automobiles. "I spent about \$5000 on mine," junior Jeffrey Ament said. The personalizing of rides sent out a challenging message to the other drivers. "I think that I can handle Rodney Brown in a race," sophomore Elton Brown said. Rattled by Hollywood's box office hits like "Fast and Furious" and daytime sitcoms such as MTV's "Pimp My Ride", and TLC's "Overhaulin'"; many teens felt punished if they had to ride around in a bum ride. "The car must be bumping, or shining or something spectacular for it to be an official ride," senior Keeshan Brown said.

-Marissa Bright

TEENS SHOW OFF THEIR PERSONALIZED RIDES



Squinting at the thought of her ride, Mrs. Travis is proud of the car that transports her back and forth to where she needs to go. Between being a full time mom and teacher, she feels safe in her '96 Honda Accord. "I have always driven a Honda. I have never had any maintenance done on it and it still has never let me down."

-Mrs. J. Travis



Not settling for less, senior Keeshan Brown smiles proudly by her 2002 white Ford Expedition. Bought by her brother, she felt very loved and safe in her large stylish SUV. "My brother always makes sure his baby sister is taken care of and I'm loving it," Keeshan said.

Clear the way and stop the madness, as Senior Sargent Bodison's Ford Explorer comes through. She has gone through 2 cars this year and her previous car, a Crown Victoria, had to go. "I have gone through so many cars since I became a Resource Officer in '99, that I have lost count," SSGT. Bodison said.

Sitting in the sun is Mrs. Mitchell's 530i breezy blue BMW. Mrs. Mitchell was an administrator that took her job seriously and loves her well earned car. "I really worked hard for this car and I'm going to enjoy every second driving and sporting it," Mrs. Mitchell said.