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Driver Ed News

Do you have your instructor card?

If the answer is no, your school district needs to complete their annual renewal to run a program.

[Click here for required paperwork](#)

[New Driver Education Instructor Course starts October 31, 2016!](#)

Save the Date!

2017 Annual Driver Education Instructor Training

This is a two day conference located at the Riverside Inn, Boise Idaho

Session 1: May 8th and 9th

Session 2: May 10th and 11th

Plan ahead and check your calendar to see what session will work best for you.

Registration Coming Soon!

Attention!

Do you have student permits laying on your desk or in your filing cabinets? (Locked, I hope.)

Please tell your coordinator if you have student permits that were purchased prior to July 1st, 2016.

Coordinators need to send [me an email](#) with the number of permits you currently have regardless of the students status.



Special Needs Students in Driver Education

I frequently receive questions regarding the requirements of special needs students enrolled in driver education. The following is the Idaho State Department of Education Policy regarding the driver education program. Please contact me if you have any further questions or concerns.

1.5 Students with Special Needs

1.5.1 If a student has an Individualized Education Program (IEP), the IEP team should develop goals and objectives to determine if the student will need special accommodations in driver education and training. Once enrolled, every effort should be made to adapt lesson materials to the student's specific needs (Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, IDEA; PL101-476). Students not eligible for special education services should consult with the district's school staff responsible for determining under the IDEA if the student could qualify and receive services under Section 504.

1.5.2 Public driver education programs will have procedures in place to assist instructors in identifying students with special needs.

1.5.3 The school shall provide appropriate accommodations when necessary. No accommodations can be made that compromise public safety.

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PUBLIC DRIVER EDUCATION

All Idaho public Driver Education programs operated by a public school district or contracting with a public school district must comply with these requirements [Driver Education Operating Rules and Procedures](#). (full document)



Teens Don't Wear Seat Belts

About half of teens killed in crashes were not wearing a seat belt. [Read](#) about why teens don't buckle up, and learn how to talk to them about doing so.



Young Passengers Are Risky.

A single young passenger, even a sibling, increases the chances of a deadly crash by 44%. [Learn more.](#)

Teens Struggle with Speeding

New teen drivers often fail to drive the appropriate speed for conditions. This comes with experience.

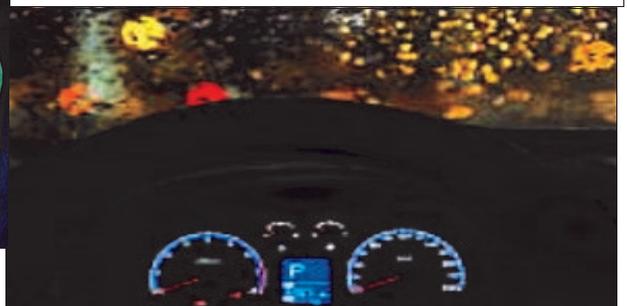
[Learn more.](#)



The fatal crash

rate of 16-year-olds is nearly twice as high at night, according to the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety.

Most of these tragic crashes happen relatively early between 9 p.m. and midnight. Inclement weather is also dangerous. [Understand](#) how parents can help.



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