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Driver Ed News

Welcome Back to School!

Shannon Barkwell with Teens in the Driver Seat met with you at the Idaho Driver Education Instructor Conference last May. We are looking for High Schools in Idaho to pilot Teens in the Driver Seat for the 2017-2018 school year. This opportunity is free thanks to State Farm. [Contact me](#) if you would like to participate and receive your free starter package.

Here are a few program features:

- [Teens in the Driver Seat Cup](#) – a safe driving contest where your school can win up to **\$1,000**, just for keeping active and participating in the program
- Check out the [TDS Items](#)
- Lots of activity ideas, like [Zero Crazy](#), pre-made presentations with scripts, [Driving the Message Contest](#), and [Activity Ideas](#)
- Download and **share** our new [interactive video](#) and other [TDS Videos](#)
- [Message resources](#), such as **downloadable** posters, bookmarks and more!
- Social Media contests to win TDS Prize Packs – follow us on Twitter (@TeensDriverSeat) for details!

Save the Date for 2018 Instructor Training

February 10, 2018 Riverside Hotel in Boise
March 10, 2018 Hilton Garden in Twin Falls
April 7, 2018 Red Lion in Lewiston
April 21, 2018 Hampton Inn in Coeur d' Alene
May 5, 2018 Hilton Garden Inn in Idaho Falls

All trainings will be held on Saturdays from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Last two training opportunities for 2017:

Washington Traffic Safety

Renton, WA
Oct 13th - 14th, 2017
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Oregon Driver Traffic Safety

Redmond, Oregon
Oct 13th - 15th, 2017
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What Drives Speeding?

Speeding endangers everyone on the road; it killed 9,557 people in 2015. We all know the frustrations of modern life and juggling a busy schedule. But speed limits are there to protect you and others on the road. Speed also affects your safety even when you're driving the speed limit but too fast for road conditions, such as during bad weather, when a road is under repair, or in an area at night that isn't well lit.

Speeding endangers not only the life of the speeder, but all of the people on the road around them. For more than two decades, speeding has been involved in one-third of all motor vehicle fatalities. In 2015, speeding was a contributing factor in 27 percent of all fatal crashes. It is a problem we all need to help solve. NHTSA provides guides and toolkits to help spread the message about safe driving, including tips on what you can do if you encounter an aggressive driver on the road. [Read More](#)



Thank you to Elsie Krause!!!

Elsie retired from teacher education in 2008 at the Cascade School District in Donnelly and has been teaching driver education since 1971. Now Elsie has decided to retire from teaching driver education. We thank you for your 47 years of service and dedication to driver education and teen driver safety.

PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT IN MODELING GOOD DRIVING HABITS

Parent or guardian involvement is a major part of the driver education process. Studies show that children who have higher parent or guardian involvement tend to be safer drivers and have fewer crashes over their lifetimes. The Graduated Driver Licensing (GDL) laws require the parent or guardian to become more involved in their teen driver's learning period. Educating parents or guardians on their involvement with their teen's driving safety and GDL laws is imperative to the success of the novice driver.

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