

Driver Education Newsletter

February 2020

2020 Conference Registration

Deadline to register is February 14, 2020

You will receive a confirmation email with conference information when you register. If you have not received confirmation, please email me.

March 14, 2020 at Idaho State University in Pocatello, ID

April 18, 2020 at Lewis-Clark State College in Lewiston, ID

May 2, 2020 at Galaxy Event Center in Meridian, ID

Click <u>here</u> to register now.

late registration will be accepted until 02/28/20, but you may not be reimbursed for room and/or travel expenses



EDDR50001 - 2020 Driver Education Instructor Professional Development

Register online at <u>pdlearn.nnu.edu</u> **Final Registration**: May 30, 2020

1 Credit = \$60

Center for Professional Development

(you can combine two consecutive conferences to make 15 hours for 1 credit or complete 7 additional hours for a credit, contact Emily Kormylo for more info)



Reckless and Distracted Driving is the #1 Killer of Teens in America. In Idaho, 36 lives were lost in 2018, in young driver crashes, and one out of every five crashes involved a young driver. How do we talk to our friends about the very real dangers of reckless and distracted driving? Watch this video to see how you can use your creative talents in graphic design, music, video and writing to address reckless and distracted driving and help to solve the problem. #createrealimpact #cashprize #drivewellIdaho Share with your classes https://youtu.be/KCgPHuUShyE and encourage them to apply.

Idaho Ranked Second Worse State for Rude Drivers by Insurify

Ranking number two on the list of rude drivers is Idaho where 47.5 out of 1,000 drivers were cited for rude driving behaviors. Rates of tailgating are 4.89 times the national average. Failure to yield violations are more common than in other states. Idaho drivers are 2.6 times as likely to commit a failure to yield to a pedestrian violation and 2.07 times as likely to fail to yield the right of way to another driver.

Are you teaching your drivers to yield to other roadway users, especially pedestrians?

Do you allow your students to follow too close?

How can we do a better job teaching kind and respectful driving habits to the next generation of drivers?

This article is a great reminder of how important our job is to help make Idaho roads safe. Click <u>here</u> to read the entire article.



Never place your feet on the dashboard of a moving vehicle. This is the x-ray of a woman who sustained life changing injuries resulting from resting her feet on the dashboard when the car was in a collision. Go to https://driving.ca/auto-news/news/x-ray-from-car-crash-reminds-passengers-to-keep-feet-off-dashboard to read the article.

Operation Lifesaver releases new PSA targeting risky behavior on railroad tracks

<u>This new PSA</u> was developed in response to a recent increase in railroad trespass incidents. Preliminary 2018 statistics from the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) show 1,014 total trespassing injuries and deaths, on par with the 1,014 incidents in 2017 and an increase from 946 incidents in 2016. Click <u>here</u> for the article.



We should also remind our students that taking senior pictures on railroad track is TRESPASSING and they can get cited. It is also extremely dangerous.