

DRIVER EDUCATION RESOURCES

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The Secretary of State's website www.Michigan.gov/TeenDriver is an excellent resource for students and parents as they navigate through the Graduated Driver Licensing process.

This document lists many other resources that are available to providers to supplement instruction in the classroom, behind-the-wheel, and on the range. Also included are links to other resources to share with students and parents.

If you have a resource that would benefit Michigan's driver education program, please email DriverEd@Michigan.gov to have it considered for addition to the list.

MDOS APPROVED TEXTBOOKS / BOOKS

(Books DO NOT replace the AAA How To Drive 15th Edition materials)

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• www.michigan.gov/sos – Secretary of State: “What Every Driver Must Know” Booklet.• lmb.org – League of Michigan Bicyclists: “What Every Michigan Bicyclist Must Know” Booklet. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• www.roadsidesurvival.com book – Roadside Survival: Low-Tech Solutions to Automobile Breakdowns, published by Walt Brinker (Can be used in addition to other materials). |
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MDOS APPROVED TRAFFIC SAFETY WEBSITES & VIDEOS

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• www.michigan.gov/LookTwice – Secretary of State campaign: “Motorcyclists are Hard to See. Look Twice. Save a Life.” Online toolkit and safety video.• www.nhtsa.gov – The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration campaign: “U Drive. U Text. U Pay.” Distracted driving information and video.• www.tsef.org – The Traffic Safety Education Foundation: videos including “The Parent Driving Zone”. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Grade Crossing Awareness video – Amtrak.• giftoflifemichigan.org video – Gift of Life Michigan: the organ donation process.• truckingsafety.org video (download) – Michigan Center for Truck Safety: “Sharing the Road Around Trucks (Teens)”.• Getting to Know Roundabouts video – Road Commission for Oakland County. |
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PARENTS AND STUDENTS

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Supervised Driving Guide – Secretary of State: resource for parents teaching their teen to drive. Includes “Driving Log” and “Parent/Teen Safe Driving Contract”.• www.michigan.gov/sos – Secretary of State: Technology resources for safe driving.• www.Michigan.gov/DistractedDriving – Michigan State Police: Distracted driving information. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• www.libertymutual.com – Liberty Mutual Insurance: Safe teen driving tips.• www.nhtsa.gov – National Highway Traffic Safety Administration: Distracted driving information.• www.statefarm.com – State Farm: Ways to help with teen driving safety.• www.tsef.org – The Traffic Safety Education Foundation. Includes parent resources/toolkits. |
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TRAFFIC SAFETY ORGANIZATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS & OTHER LINKS

- www.aamva.org – The **American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators (AAMVA)** is a tax-exempt, nonprofit organization developing model programs in motor vehicle administration, law enforcement, and highway safety.
- driversedguru.com – The “**Driver’s Ed Guru**” website is a free driver’s ed resource dedicated to providing free instruction and advice for everything related to driver’s education and learning how to drive.
- driving-tests.org – The “**Driving Tests**” website lets teens to take several practice tests (free and premium versions) of driver knowledge exams.
- dsaa.org – The **Driving School Association of the Americas (DSAA)** is an international association of driving school owners/educators from all over the globe, and offers regional seminars, webinars and conventions to bring together traffic safety professionals to encourage professional development, educational standards and best practices within the industry.
- www.drivingskillsforlife.com – The **Ford “Driving Skills for Life” (Ford DSFL)** program was established in 2003 by Ford Motor Company Fund, the Governor’s Highway Safety Association, and a panel of safety experts to teach newly licensed teens the necessary skills for safe driving beyond what they learn in standard driver education programs. Ford DSFL

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helps young drivers improve their skills in four key areas that are critical factors in more than 60% of vehicle crashes: Hazard recognition, Vehicle handling, Speed management, and Space management.

- www.impactteendrivers.org – The “**Impact Teen Drivers**” website is a traffic safety education nonprofit with the mission of saving lives by fighting the number one killer of teens in America: car crashes.
- www.bikeleague.org – The **League of American Bicyclists** represents bicyclists in the movement to create safer roads, stronger communities and a bicycle-friendly America.
- lmb.org – The **League of Michigan Bicyclists (LMB)** mission is to promote bicycling and the safety of bicyclists on the roadways of Michigan. LMB is a non-profit, tax-exempt state-wide membership organization working to improve conditions for bicycling in Michigan.
- truckingsafety.org – The **Michigan Center for Truck Safety** is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving highway safety on Michigan’s roadways, through comprehensive safety educational programs for Michigan’s trucking industry.
- www.misheriff.org/programs/stopped – The **Michigan Sheriff’s Association (MSA)** and its program “**STOPPED**” is a free parental notification system developed to reduce the number of young drivers who are involved in motor vehicle crashes each year. Parents register their vehicles with MSA online and if the vehicle is pulled over while a driver under 21 is driving, a notification is sent to the registered owner of the vehicle including the time and location of the stop, the driver’s name and number of passengers in the vehicle, the reason for the stop and whether or not any citations were issued.
- www.nhtsa.gov – The **National Highway Transportation Safety Administration (NHTSA)** was established by the Highway Safety Act of 1970 to carry out safety programs previously administered by the National Highway Safety Bureau. Through enforcing vehicle performance standards and partnerships with state and local governments, NHTSA reduces deaths, injuries and economic losses from motor vehicle crashes.
- www.thinkfirst.org – The **National Injury Prevention Foundation** program “**ThinkFirst**” offers research-validated educational programs that has reached millions of young people nationally and worldwide. The [ThinkFirst for Teens](http://www.thinkfirst.org) program is a public education effort targeting this high-risk age group to prevent brain, spinal cord and other traumatic injuries through education, research and advocacy.
- www.nsc.org/driveithome – The **National Safety Council (NSC)** and its “**DriveitHOME**” program provides a variety of resources for parents to help teens get the experience they need behind the wheel.
- trafficsafety.org – The **Network of Employers for Traffic Safety (NETS)** is an organization dedicated exclusively to traffic safety in the workplace. NETS is a public/private partnership that engages employers of all sizes and industry-types in seeking, developing, and expanding best practices in traffic safety.
- oli.org/state/mi – **Operation Lifesaver (OLI)** is a non-profit organization and nationally-recognized leader of rail safety education. Since 1972, OLI has been committed to preventing collisions, injuries and fatalities on and around railroad tracks and highway-rail grade crossings, with the support of public education programs in states across the U.S.
- www.sleepfoundation.org – The **Sleep Foundation** website offers information on why teens face unique sleep challenges and tips to help them sleep better, as insufficient sleep can elevate the risk of accidents as a result of drowsy driving.
- www.statefarm.com – **State Farm** has a collection of articles about insurance for teenagers and safety tips to help keep teens and others safe and knowledgeable about the rules of the road.
- www.teendrive365inschool.com – The “**TeenDrive365**” website, hosted by **Toyota**, provides teens with interactive challenges to prepare them for the road ahead and includes facts and videos on safe driving.
- www.teendriversource.org – The “**Teen Driver Source**” website, hosted by the **Center for Injury Research and Prevention (CIRP)** at the **Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia**, provides parents/teens with free teen driver safety information and downloadable resources to help prevent teen driver crashes.
- www.bridgestoneamericas.com – The “**Tire Safety**” website hosted by **Bridgestone** has information about maintenance, repair and choosing the right tires for your vehicle.
- youngdriverparenting.org – The **University of Michigan Injury Prevention Center** program “**Checkpoints**” is a free resource to help parents know how to keep their teens as safe as possible when they are not in the vehicle with them.
- www.umtri.umich.edu – The **University of Michigan Transportation Research Institute** is committed to research that will ultimately increase driving safety and further transportation systems knowledge.
- www.usa-traffic-signs.com – The “**USA Traffic Signs**” website lets visitors test their knowledge on the meanings of traffic and road signs. The website includes a 5-part test, with 30 multiple choice questions for each part. Grading is in real time (after submitting the results) and a detailed answer sheet is provided.