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According to the U.S. Center for Disease Control and Prevention, motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death for teens in the United States. Based on miles driven, teen drivers are three times as likely to be in fatal crashes as drivers age 20 and older. This list of technology resources was developed by the Michigan Drivers Age 20 and Younger Action Team for parents to help them monitor their teen's driving with the goal of decreasing teen traffic fatalities and serious injuries.

This list is for information purposes only. It is not intended to be all inclusive of available technology resources. Participating members of the Michigan Drivers Age 20 and Younger Action Team have not evaluated and do not endorse the resources on this list. To add a resource or request revisions, contact the action team chair. For the most recent list visit Michigan.gov/TeenDriver.

Resource Name	What It Does	Charge	Devices Needed to Use	Logo/Picture
AT&T DriveMode	Sends automatic "out of office" replies to texts and emails and sends incoming calls to voicemail when the vehicle is moving.	Free for AT&T Customers	Downloadable app for Android or iPhone in Google Play, BlackBerry App World, and AT&T AppCenter Not available for non-smart phones	
DriveCam	Video event recorder in the car that sends a 12-second clip of what the driver was seeing, hearing, and doing when it senses risky driving.	\$49.99/month	Alerts are emailed and videos are watched in an online account Must have PC or smartphone with Internet access; no App available	
Drivesafe.ly Pro	Texts and emails are read aloud; App automatically responds without touching a button.	\$9.99	Can purchase for smartphone in Google Play	
DriveScribe	Monitor driving routes in real time. When a violation occurs, info sent via text/email. Blocks calls and messaging.	Free	Must have smartphone	
Esurance DriveSafe	Esurance's DriveSafe program helps parents track their teen's driving habits and limit cell phone use behind the wheel with one simple device. Customized alerts can help parents coach teens on best driving practices.	Free with Esurance Policy	Telematics Device and Smartphone	
iOS 11	Contains a Do Not Disturb While Driving feature that can automatically silence incoming alerts and notifications when you are driving, as well as send automatic notifications to people who are contacting you.	Free	Must have iPhone with iOS 11 operating system	 Do Not Disturb While Driving <small>Your iPhone can detect when you may be driving and automatically silence your incoming alerts and notifications.</small>
KyrusFeel Application	Disables texting/apps on mobile devices when vehicle is moving. Specific settings configured based on company policy.	Free App Must purchase devices	Compatible with phones running Android 2.2 or newer, BlackBerry 5.x and newer, Apple iOS 5.0 and newer, and Flip and Feature phones running Java or BREW	

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LifeSaver	LifeSaver uses GPS and several other battery saving technologies to lock the driver's smartphone while the car is in motion. LifeSaver is always running in the phone's background and transparent to the Driver when not driving.	Free	App available in Google Play and App Store.	
Mercedes-Benz mbrace	Shows the vehicles current location and sends speed alerts and notifications when the vehicle is driven outside of a preset boundary or time of day.	Free for five years on MY16 and newer with standard Connect package. Additional packages available for fee(s).	Vehicles registered and sold in the U.S. and Puerto Rico. Driving Journal (location finder) available with MY13 and newer.	
MOTOSafety	MOTOSafety is a GPS tracking device that helps you coach your teen to become a better driver through a comprehensive driving program.	\$19.99/month	PC, iPhone or Android App	
MyKey	Programmable key that limits top speed, prevents disabling electronic stability control, limits max volume (no belts, no tunes), prevents calls/texts.	Standard	Available feature on every newer North American Ford/Lincoln product	
OnStar Family Link	See the location of vehicle on online map, get email/text alerts with location at a requested time and day.	\$3.99/month	Most 2010 GM vehicles and virtually all 2011 or newer GM vehicles are eligible Maps accessed online; no App	
Sprint Drive First	App deactivates various phone features when car begins moving; sends auto-reply to texts/calls. Different settings can be programmed.	Free	App only available for Sprint users; must have smartphone	

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Teen Driver	Programmable key that mutes the radio when front seat occupants aren't wearing safety belts, gives audible and visual warnings when traveling over preset speeds. Built-in system allows parents to view how their teen drove such as maximum speed reached, distance driven and number of times active safety features were engaged.	Free	Car Key w/ Remote Transmitter	
Textecution	Disables texting while driving	\$29.99	App available in Google Play only (Android); not available for iPhones	
Thumb Tied	An Anti-Distracted Driving Application that helps the driver's focus stay on the road. Thumb Tied senses when you are driving and prevents the use of text messages and other apps that may distract you from driving your vehicle.	Free	App available in Google Play only (Android); not available for iPhones	
TrueMotion Family	Gives a driving report card with a grade from 0-100 for each drive; and a distraction score to show if a cell phone was used while driving.	Free	Downloadable app for Android or iPhone.	

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