

Drivers Age 20 and Younger Accomplishments

June 1, 2018-May 31, 2019

- The MDOS Traffic Safety Division and Driver Programs Division continue to host Michigan.gov/TeenDriver and publish and distribute the *Michigan's Graduated Driver Licensing: A Guide for Parents*; *Michigan GDL Parent Checklist*, *The Parent's Supervised Driving Guide*, *What Every Driver Must Know*; and *Your Probationary License*.
- The Kelsey's Law "Put your phone in park" publication distributed by OHSP is still very popular and is requested often. A total of 15,230 pamphlets were distributed over the last year. The publication is printed in English, Arabic, and Spanish. Distribution for the three languages is as follows: 13,958 English, 386 Arabic, and 886 Spanish pamphlets.
- Action team organizations promoted "young driver" related resource materials and content at several events via department booths, mailed packages of information and/or presentations. Events included: the 2018 Michigan Teen Conference, the 2018 Schools, Educators, Police Liaison Association Conference, the Rolling Forward Michigan Bicycle Conference, The 2018 Michigan Parent Teacher Association Convention, the 2018 Michigan Trauma Coalition Injury Prevention Symposium, SOSLive, the 8th Annual Strive 2 Arrive Alive Teen Driver Safety Conference, the 2019 Michigan Traffic Safety Summit, the 2019 MASC/MAHS Student State Conference, Pupil Transportation Advisory Committee Meetings, and the Annual MDTSEA Conference and Professional Development Workshop. The Technology Resources for Safe Driving list featured on the teen driver homepage was updated in April 2019.
- From June 1, 2018 to May 24, 2019, the MDOS Driver Assessment Section processed reexaminations for 4,736 probationary and post-probationary drivers.
- The First & 10: Get to Know Michigan's Teen Driving Laws: brochure is still very popular and OHSP receives a lot of requests for it. 10,529 brochures in English were distributed, 335 in Arabic, and 335 in Spanish for a total of 11,199. The brochure will be refreshed this summer to update the pictures/graphics. Printing is planned before the end of the fiscal year.
- The "Under 21" brochure is also requested often. This brochure provides public education surrounding underage driving and impaired driving. 13,221 brochures were distributed over the last year, 12,296 in English, 350 in Arabic, and 575 in Spanish.
- *The Parent's Supervised Driving Guide* was revised in the fall of 2018, culminating in the release of the Seventh Edition. Changes include: The addition of Toyota as a second sponsor, revising the introductory letter from the department, and splitting the Sharing the Road with bicycles and motorcycles page into two separate pages: one for bicyclists and pedestrians and one for motorcyclists.
- A notice about the *Michigan GDL Parent Checklist* ran in the MDE Official Weekly Communication bulletin in October 2018 and May 2019. Requests for copies of the checklist in October and May were significantly higher than preceding months, including requests for over

3,000 checklists on the day of the May bulletin. Based on the success of the notice, it is planned to be repeated biannually. The checklist was also promoted at many events. In May 2019, after the stock of checklists decreased under 10,000, the action team and other stakeholders were requested to provide input on potential revisions ahead of a planned reprinting in 2019.

- The Request for Proposal for a Michigan orientation program for parents/legal guardians of teens beginning the GDL process that was previously posted resulted in one bid. In January 2019 MDOS signed a contract with the University of Michigan Transportation Research Institute to develop, implement and evaluate a Pilot Parental Involvement in GDL/Driver Education Program. The 3-year program is jointly funded by MDOS and OHSP and is expected to be completed by December 31, 2021.
- The MSA S.T.O.P.P.E.D. program is running in all 83 Michigan counties. The initiative is a voluntary notification system, connecting participating law enforcement agencies with parents, when a teen driver is stopped for a traffic violation. In 2019, MSA began a new pilot-program in Mason & Livingston Counties. After a traffic stop, the Sheriff's Deputy will now have the ability to immediately notify the parents of the traffic stop by text or email. With a successful launch, the new program will expand to other Sheriff's Offices across the state. The program is free to parents. For more information please visit www.misheriff.org
- A stakeholders group consisting of members from ANSTSE, driver education experts recommended by ANSTSE, MDTSEA members, and MDOS, was tasked with creating an implementation strategy that would increase Michigan's instructional standards to 45 hours, using a combination of formal (instructor) and informal (parental) instruction. A proposal has been drafted that would shift some of the responsibility for achieving a portion of the 45 hours of driver education instruction to parents. The proposed document would mirror and follow the ADTSEA 3.0 curriculum and include the instructional standards, objectives, and instructor and parent benchmarks that represent a 45-hour model program for classroom and in-car training. Activities called Teachers Involve Parents in Schoolwork (TIPS) have been created to connect school and home on the curriculum-related activities and to increase family involvement in student's education. Currently, Standard 1.0, 2.0, and 3.0 (Units 1, 2, and 3) in the ADTSEA curriculum has been revised to reflect the new TIPS program. The proposed instructional guide received positive feedback from all stakeholder members and Standard 4.0 and 5.0 are currently being revised.
- In 2018, the Driver Programs Division participated in the Michigan Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Program NHTSA Assessment in addition to assisting the League of Michigan Bicyclists on their development of educational material for driver education instructors and providers.
- The Driver Programs Division developed a standardized business process that requires all instructors to submit a professional development course completion certificate with their renewal application. The department has received positive feedback from providers and instructors. In addition, a revised MDOS Professional Development course requirement has been developed and waiting for approval from the Driver Education Section manager.

- The MSP Precision Driving Unit completed 9, 24 student teen defensive driving classes at the track (216 teen drivers) and 3, 96 (288 teen drivers) student teen defensive driving classes at Fiat Chrysler Automobiles. A total of 504 teen drivers attended the classes.
- During the 2018-2019 school year, 63 Michigan high schools participated in the Strive for a Safer Drive program. Approximately 72,000 students were exposed to a teen traffic safety campaign during the school year. Many more people, including citizens from surrounding communities, school administrators and parents were also reached during this effort. Schools submitted a video or PowerPoint depicting their campaigns. The top five schools were selected on April 25, 2019 and approximately 160 students attended the Ford Ride and Drive Event on May 6. Winning projects and Ride and Drive pictures can be viewed at Michigan.gov/S4SD.
- The Drivers Age 20 and Younger action team collaborated with the MASC/MAHS to engage teen leaders to develop traffic safety programs in schools. Activities included: publishing data points, articles and press releases in the MASC/MAHS monthly LeadLines newsletter which goes out to 300+ schools across the state and on the MASC/MAHS website; Publishing available program opportunities and awareness programs in the MASC/MAHS monthly adviser checklist under "School opportunities"; Distributing information folders on teen programs to the 108 schools (1900+ students) in attendance at the MASC/MAHS State Leadership Conference; and utilizing social media accounts via The Michigan Student Board of Delegates to promote safe driving through shared resources from the action team. The action team also updated The Teen-Led Traffic Safety Programs and Other Resources list was updated in March 2019.
- The NSC grant-sponsored "Michigan Teen Safe Driving Coalition" was re-established last fall via the Michigan Trauma Coalition's Injury Prevention Committee. The summary documents of that groups' plans are attached for reference. Since then the NSC announced that they would no longer be pursuing funding from the parent National Road Safety Foundation (NRSF), and hence could not support the state Teen Safe Driving Coalitions. In an effort to fill this void in Michigan, the MTC's Injury Prevention Committee recently established a new Subcommittee on Teen Safe Driving. The goal is not to duplicate efforts, but rather bridge gaps and facilitate statewide collaboration with trauma center hospitals and their injury prevention professionals on teen safe driving.
- There are eleven driving simulators available throughout the state for all traffic safety partners to use at events or at high schools. The simulator contact list has been updated and is posted on the OHSP website at Michigan.gov/ohsp. The simulators continue to be requested often and are especially popular during high school S4SD campaigns.
- The Driver Programs Division continues to review all questions within the test pool of questions used and will propose to take ownership of test content in partnership with Traffic Safety Division.

Acronyms

ADTSEA	American Driver and Traffic Safety Education Association
ANSTSE	Association of National Stakeholders in Traffic Safety Education
GDL	Graduated Driver Licensing
MAHS	Michigan Association of Honor Societies
MASC	Michigan Association of Student Councils
MDE	Michigan Department of Education
MDOS	Michigan Department of State
MDTSEA	Michigan Driver and Traffic Safety Education Association
MSA	Michigan Sheriffs Association
MSP	Michigan State Police
NHTSA	National Highway Traffic Safety Association
NSRF	National Road Safety Foundation
NSC	National Safety Council
OHSP	Office of Highway Safety Planning
S4SD	Strive for a Safer Drive
SOS	Secretary of State
STOPPED	Sheriffs' Telling Our Parents and Promoting Educated Drivers