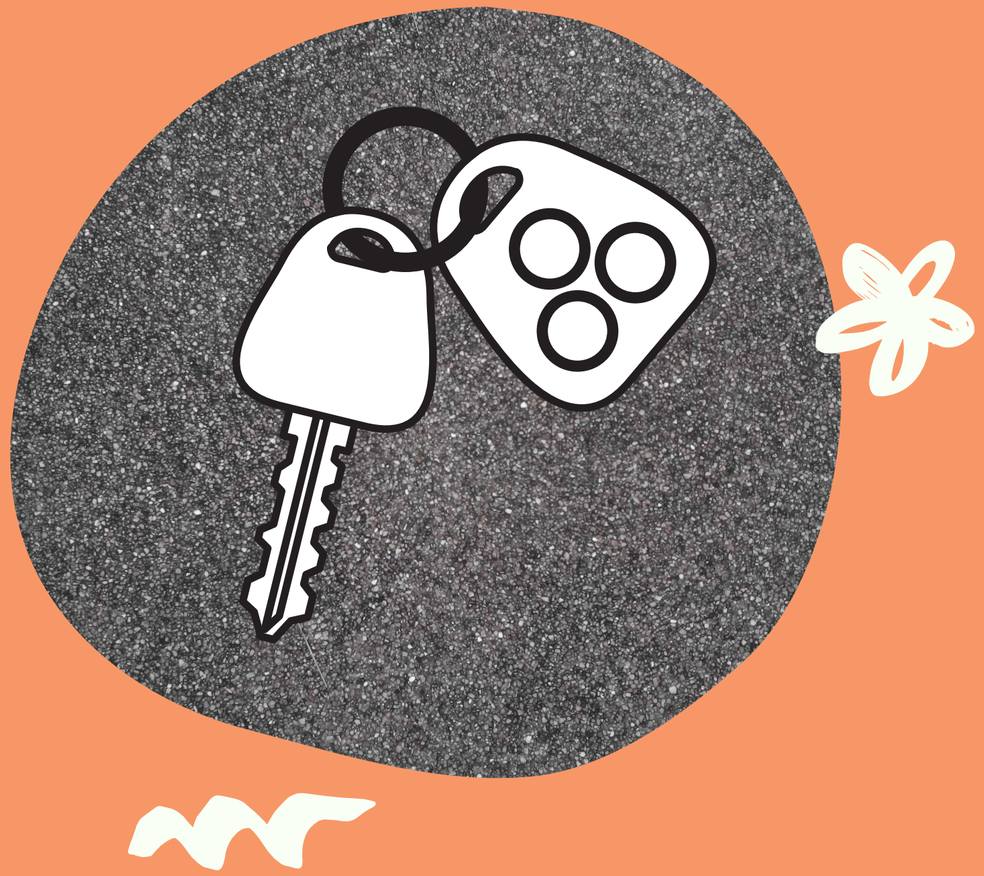
NATIONAL TEEN DRIVER SAFETY WEEK

Georgia Governors Office of Highway Safety



WHAT TO DO THIS WEEK:

In the following slides, there are resources that will help with planning and participating in National Teen Driver Safety Week. Each day there will be a fun activity to do with a class, group, or individually. Following the activity slides, are resources and data that can be used for social media posts and announcements for the week. You do not have to follow the schedule exactly, as it is just a guide for your chapter for the week.

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Monday

ROCK THE BELT:

With the onset of COVID-19, Rock the belt is going to be a little different this year. For Monday, please let your chapter plan a seat belt survey for their area, or the school (if possible). The Quick Click Challenge is going to be a state-wide competition that is happening Monday-Thursday. Winners will be announced at our virtual chapter meeting. Please use the following pages for your seat belt survey and rules for Quick Click Challenge.

ROCK THE BELT VIRTUAL

Georgia Virtual Rock the Belt will consist of two events for your chapter to participate in during National Teen Driver Safety Week (October 19-23). Each member, will record their event results into the Google Form, and statewide results will be announced on the virtual state-wide chapter meeting, October 22, 2020 by 4pm.

Events:

- **Seat Belt Check**
- **Quick Click Challenge**

ALL ANSWERS MUST BE RECORDED INTO THE GOOGLE FORM BEFORE THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2020 AT NOON.
Fill out your answers on the google form, HERE.

ROCK THE BELT VIRTUAL

Seat Belt Check:

- This check involves visual observation. You will not and cannot stop cars.
- Pick a location:
  - Choose a SAFE location for your seat belt check
- Survey 100 Cars
  - Mark Yes if the driver is wearing a seat belt, and mark no if they are not
- Record the answers on the Google form

Quick Click Challenge:

You can conduct a Quick Click Challenge among your chapter membership. Challenge members and their household to compete for the shortest Quick-Click time. Students can participate in teams of one, two, or four people. Record your time in the Google Form

Items Needed:

- A four-door vehicle
- Smartphone with a timer
- Something to prop your smartphone (popsocket, a couple of books)

Quick-Click Rules:
Prior to starting the challenge, check seat belts to determine that there are no obstructions, kinks, jams, or twists. Make sure all doors are open. Prop your phone on the dashboard and adjust the camera to make sure that it captures the front and back seats.

- Sit in the driver's seat. If it is a team of two, you will sit in the driver's seat, and your partner will sit in the front passenger seat. If it is a team of four, you will have a member sitting in all seats of the car.
- Time begins the instant you start recording with your phone.
- Each person must 1) buckle, 2) raise both hands in the air, and 3) unbuckle their seat belt, for every seat in the car.
- Move counterclockwise through each seat in the car until the person that starts in the driver seat ends in the passenger seat.
- Time stops when any team member stops the timer once all members raise their hands after clicking through 4 seats.

All team members must exit the car between seats. No scooching seats or climbing between the front and back seats. All members must raise both hands after buckling in each seat. All hands must be raised prior to turning off the timer.

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Tuesday

POWER OF YOUTH:

Please use the pre-recorded Power of Youth presentation, given by Kali Robinson with MADD Georgia. A link will be provided to the chapter. As a chapter, you can also incorporate some of the following into your program for the day.

- Create awareness activities that encourage students to choose their minds over matter.
- Host a class room discussion where students debate about underage drinking.
- Set up role play scenarios with real life situations that teens can be or have been in.

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Wednesday

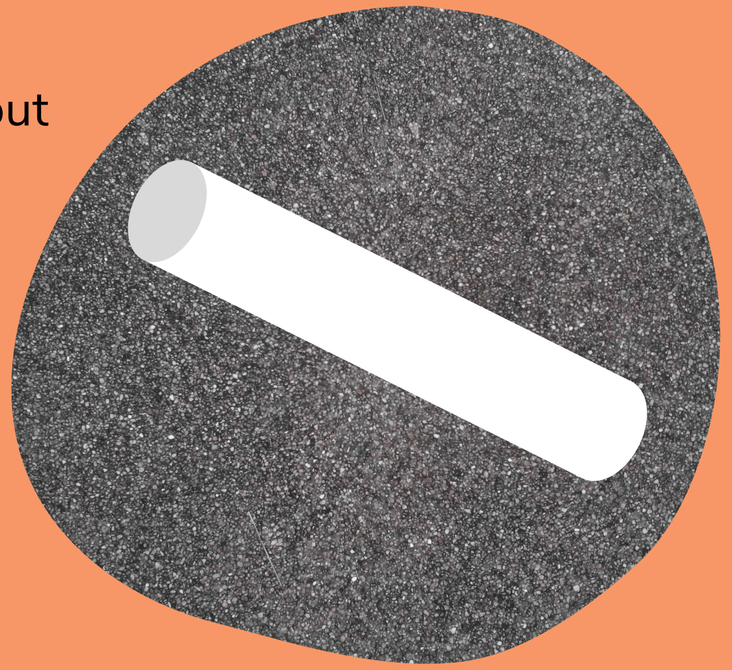
CHALK THE WALK:

Get Creative! Have your chapter use sidewalk chalk to get their message across. They can decorate the school, with permission from all necessary parties, or their own driveway, or sidewalk! We want positive messages about Teen Driver Safety.

Examples could include:

- Buckle up!
- Don't Drive Drowsy
- Phone down, Eyes up
- Don't Text and Drive
- Don't Drink and Drive
- If you feel different, you drive different

Use the hashtag and tag GOHS on Social Media with your Chalk the Walk #ChalktheWalkGOHS



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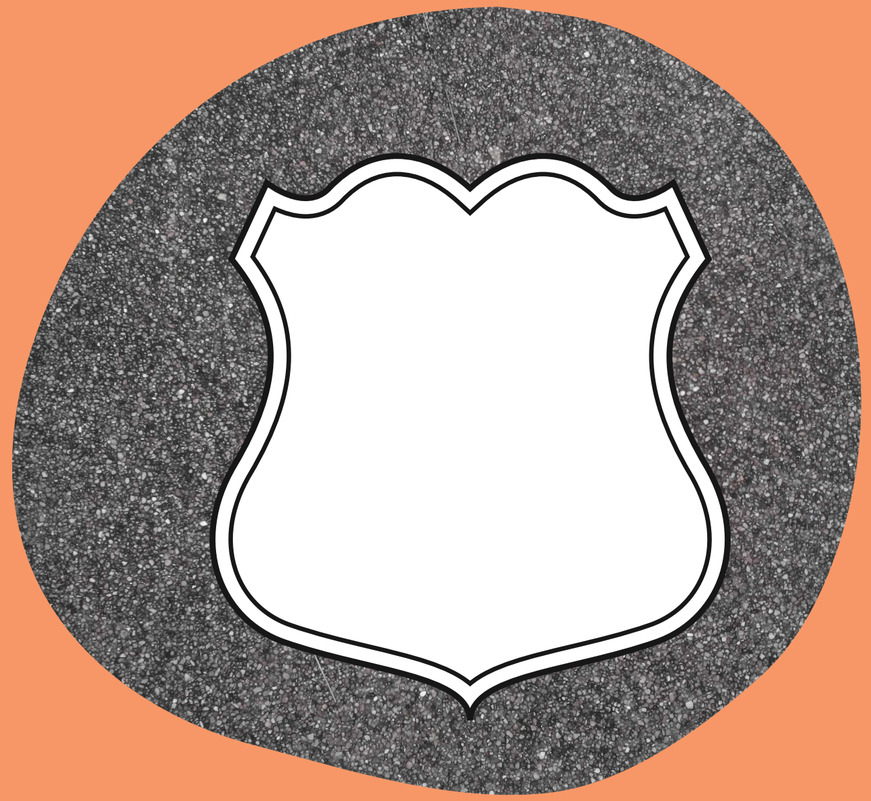
THURSDAY

VIRTUAL MEETING:

Come to our Virtual Meeting October 22, at 4pm
We will be having a great in-depth Ask a Cop session with Officer McDowell from Carrollton PD. Winners from the Quick Click Challenge will be announced. You can find the meeting agenda following this slide.



SADD Club Meeting Agenda

State-Wide Virtual Chapter
Date: October 22nd @4pm
Microsoft Teams
Join Microsoft Teams Meeting

- Welcome
  - Rollcall
- Activity
  - This/That
- **Ask a Cop**
  - **Officer McDowell**
- Rock the Belt- Quick Click Challenge Winners!
- Open Discussion: Q and A

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FRIDAY

ROLLOVER SIMULATOR:

Please use the pre-recorded video of our Rollover Simulator to share with your chapter or class. You can use the accompanying lesson plan as well.

As a part of our ongoing effort to educate the public, the Governor's Office of Highway Safety has secured a "Rollover Simulator" that allows us to come to your event or location and conduct demonstrations. Crash dummies are placed in the Ford Ranger pickup truck without wearing safety belts. A 35 mph rollover crash is simulated and the audience can observe the results of not being properly restrained. Crash dummies are then buckled in for a second simulation demonstrating the importance of wearing safety belts in a vehicle.

Rollover Simulator Lesson Plan

Grade Level:9-12
Time: 20-50min

Materials Needed:

Virtual Presentation

- Access to computer, and internet
- Virtual platform to view presentation as a class

Live/In-Person Presentation

- Request the Rollover Simulator using the form located at gahighwaysafety.org
- Space for students to view the GOHS Rollover Simulator presentation given by a GOHS Law Enforcement Liaison

Terms

- **Socialization**: a continuing process whereby an individual acquires a personal identity and learns the norms, values, behavior, and social skills appropriate to his or her social position.
- **Social Control**: the enforcement of conformity by society upon its members, either by law or by social pressure.
- **Deviance**: behavior that violates formally- enacted rules or informal social norms
- **Occupant**: a person who resides or is present in a vehicle
- **Seat belt**: a belt or strap securing a person to prevent injury, especially in a vehicle or aircraft.
- **Rollover Crash**: a type of vehicle crash in which a vehicle tips over onto its side or roof

Georgia Standard:

- SSSocSC1 Explain the process of socialization.
- SSSocSC2 Analyze deviance in society.
- SSSocSC4 Analyze the function of social institutions as agents of social control across differing societies and times.

Objectives:

- Study the history of Socialization in regards to safety features in vehicles and how they have changed.
- Study the potential dangers, risks, and statistics associated with Deviance in regards to a variety of road safety issues such as speeding, driving while distracted, and driving while drowsy.
- Analyze the function of mandatory safety laws in regards to Social Control
- Evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of safety features and laws on the roadway
- Discuss how, although vehicles are safer, we must still drive safely.

Activity

- Introduce the subject of the lesson plan by showing a picture of a crash scene
- Go over the Safety Timeline with students
- Show the students the video of the rollover simulator, or attend a rollover simulator presentation
- Go over the data with students and introduce the terms
- Generate class discussion using the discussion questions

Rollover Simulator
Lesson Plan

Discussion Questions:

- What safety feature would you invent for use in-vehicle that you believe would save the most lives and why?
- Is the use of seat belts social control? How?
- Is it possible that the invention of all these safety features have made us worse drivers? Why or Why not?
- Going 10mph over the speed limit is deviance, but has become a part of social norms? Why? How does that make our roadways unsafe? Discuss.
- Has safety education been a part of your socialization? How?

Safety Timeline

1885 Edward J. Claghorn of New York, secured the first seat belt patent

1901 Connecticut creates the first statewide traffic laws. The new laws regulate motor vehicles, limiting their speed to 12mph in cities, and 15mph on country roadsnt

1910 New York introduces the first Drunk Driving laws, penalizing driver for operating a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol

1930 The three-way traffic light (Red, Yellow, Green) is introduced in the US

1950 Nash Motors offers the first seat belts available in an American car (65 years after the first patent was created)

1951 Air bags were invented to help protect drivers and passengers from the impact of an automobile crash

1955 Modern three-point seat belt was patented by Roger Griswold

1970 the National Highway Traffic Administration is established. NHSTA is responsible for reducing deaths, injuries, and fatalities resulting from motor vehicle crashes. NHSTA sets and enforces safety performance standards for motor vehicles and equipment

1981 Students Against Driving Drunk was established in Wayland, Massachusetts

1984 New York passes the first US law regarding seat belt use in passenger cars

1988 Georgia enacts a seat belt law

1998 All states have a Zero Tolerance law for drivers under the age of 21. The new law applies to drivers under age who operate a motor vehicle with a BAC (blood alcohol concentration) of .02 or more.

2018 Georgia enacts Hands Free Law to end distracted driving

Rollover Simulator
Lesson Plan

Data:

- Georgia seat belt usage rate in 2019 was 95.9%
- National seat belt usage rate in 2019 was 90.7%
- Motor vehicle crashes are a leading cause of death for teens (15-18 years old) in the United States.
- In 2018, there were 2,121 people killed in crashes involving a teen driver (15-18 years old). Of these deaths, 719 were the teen driver — a 5% decrease from 2017.

Impaired Driving:

298 (16%) of teen passenger vehicle drivers involved in fatal crashes in 2018 had alcohol in their system. But alcohol isn't the only drug that can impair driving ability: Marijuana, like other drugs, affects a driver's ability to react to their surroundings. Driving is a complex task, and marijuana slows reaction times, affecting the driver's ability to drive safely. Illegal, prescription, or over-the-counter drugs can impair driving and have deadly consequences.

Seat Belts:

In 2018, almost half (45%) of the teen passenger vehicle drivers who died were unbuckled. Even more troubling, when the teen driver involved in the fatal crash was unbuckled nine out of 10 of the passengers who died were also unbuckled.

Distracted Driving:

Distractions while driving are more than just risky — they can be deadly. In 2018, among teen passenger vehicle drivers involved in fatal crashes, almost 10% were reported as distracted at the time of the crash. The use of mobile devices while driving is a big problem, but there are other causes of teen distracted driving that pose dangers as well, like adjusting the radio, applying makeup, eating or drinking, or distractions from other passengers in the vehicle.

Speeding:

In 2018, more than one-quarter (28%) of all teen drivers of passenger vehicles involved in fatal crashes were speeding at the time of the crash, and males were more likely to be involved in fatal crashes than females.

Passengers:

Teen drivers transporting passengers can lead to tragic results. Research shows that the risk of a fatal crash goes up in direct relation to the number of passengers in a motor vehicle. The likelihood of teen drivers engaging in risky behavior triples when traveling with multiple passengers.

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RESOURCES/DATA

Georgia Governor's Office of Highway Safety

Teen Driver/Parent Agreement

A Short-Term Safe Driving Contract During the Intermediate Licensing Phase (Class D)

To be Periodically Revised as Teen Increases Experience and Maturity

This agreement is in effect on _____and will be reviewed on_____.

Teen/Parent to Initial Each Factor:

Be Safe and Obey the Laws:

_____/_____ Never use alcohol or drugs.
_____/_____ Never ride with a driver who has been drinking alcohol or using drugs.
_____/_____ Obey speed limits and all traffic laws and signs.
_____/_____ Always be hands-free while in the car.
_____/_____ Never race with another vehicle or train.
_____/_____ Never drive aggressively (follow too closely or cut others off).
_____/_____ Will drive defensively by being alert at all times.
_____/_____ Wear a safety belt at all times, as a driver or passenger, and regardless of distance.
_____/_____ Always insist that every passenger wear a safety belt.
_____/_____ Number of passengers will not exceed state law nor parent's rule.

- Legal Limit: No non-immediate family allowed during the first 6 months; only 1 non-immediate family member allowed during the second 6 months.
- Parent's Rule: _____

_____/_____ Always check blind spots before passing and changing lanes.
_____/_____ Get permission from a parent before each trip.
_____/_____ Will not become overly confident in my driving abilities.
_____/_____ Will not drive another vehicle nor permit anyone to drive my vehicle.
_____/_____ Will not eat while driving.
_____/_____ Will not use a cell phone while driving.
_____/_____ Will adjust the radio/CD player to conversational volume before driving.
_____/_____ If I run-off the road, I know safe recovery procedures.

_____/_____ My curfew begins at _____on weekday nights and _____on weekend nights. Law: The provisional license holder is not allowed to drive a vehicle between the hours of 12 am and 6 am

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Provide the following information for each trip:
_____/_____ Where I am going
_____/_____ Who will be passengers
_____/_____ When I will return
_____/_____ What roads I will use
_____/_____ Accept the fact that my actions are my responsibility, both on and off the road.

Will call home immediately if:
_____/_____ I am going to be more than _____minutes late.
_____/_____ My plans changed while I am out.
_____/_____ I cannot get home safely.
_____/_____ Parent agrees to respond reasonably if teen calls.
_____/_____ Will not neglect my everyday responsibilities:
-school grades and homework
-home chores

My driving privileges may be lost for not complying with any of the above and will be lost for _____ weeks or months on the first offense for:
_____/_____using alcohol or drugs
_____/_____ receiving a ticket for speeding, following too closely, or not being Hands Free
_____/_____ lying about trip destination
_____/_____ not buckling up or requiring all passengers to buckle up
_____/_____ having more passengers than allowed
_____/_____ racing or performing any act which places me or my passengers' health or life in jeopardy.

By signing below, I pledge to always follow the agreed upon conditions

_____ _____

Parent/Guardian Signature Teen Driver Signature

2020 National Teen Driver Safety Week

FACT SHEET/TALKING POINTS – TEEN TARGET AUDIENCE

Teen drivers: Maybe you've just earned your license, or perhaps you've had it for years. Maybe you drive a car, truck, or SUV. Wherever you are in your driving journey, it's time to review the rules of the road! October 18-24, 2020 is National Teen Driver Safety Week, a great time for you to review safe driving habits with your family members and fellow teen drivers. Take time to refresh your knowledge about safe driving habits and driving laws.

Data shows that, for your age group (age 15-18), the greatest dangers in the vehicle are often alcohol consumption, inconsistent or no seat belt use, distracted driving, speeding, and driving with passengers in the vehicle.

Teens, take some time to review these facts, and help us at the U.S. Department of Transportation's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration spread the word about teen driving safety.

Know the Facts about Teen Driver Fatalities

- Motor vehicle crashes are a leading cause of death for teens (15-18 years old) in the United States.
- In 2018, there were 2,121 people killed in crashes involving a teen driver (15-18 years old). Of these deaths, 719 were the teen driver — a 5% decrease from 2017.
- Teens: Others may influence your driving choices, but it's ultimately up to you to make the right decisions. Here are some of your biggest risks when behind the wheel.

    - **Impaired Driving:** While you're too young to legally buy, possess, or consume alcohol, 298 (16%) of teen passenger vehicle drivers involved in fatal crashes in 2018 had alcohol in their system. But alcohol isn't the only drug that can impair your driving ability: Marijuana, like other drugs, affects a driver's ability to react to their surroundings. Driving is a complex task, and marijuana slows reaction times, affecting the driver's ability to drive safely. Illegal, prescription, or over-the-counter drugs can impair driving and have deadly consequences.

    - **Seat Belts:** Seat belts are designed to keep you safe, whether you're sitting in the front or back seat, by preventing you from being ejected from your vehicle in the event of a crash. But they only work if you use them. In 2018, almost

half (45%) of the teen passenger vehicle drivers who died were unbuckled. Even more troubling, when the teen driver involved in the fatal crash was unbuckled, nine out of 10 of the passengers who died were also unbuckled.

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Make Smart Decisions When You're Driving

Teens: Driving is a new and exciting step toward independence and adulthood. When your parents talk about the importance of safe driving habits, make sure you're listening. Their rules, advice, and lessons learned could prevent you from being in a crash. Keep the following in mind when discussing driving safety with your parents:

- From October 18-24, join other teens and parents across the country in a national dialogue for National Teen Driver Safety Week.
- Get the facts and use them to make sure your friends are safe drivers and respectful passengers. Your influence could save their lives.
- If you have a provisional driver's license, be sure you are aware of the restrictions in your state's graduated driver licensing (GDL) laws regarding transporting passengers, driving at night, and other key safety areas.
- Remember that driving is a privilege, not a right, and must always be taken seriously.
- Know the rules of the road before you drive.

Remember the Rules of the Road:

1. **Don't Drive Impaired.**
   Drinking before the age of 21 is illegal in every state, and alcohol and driving should never mix, no matter your age. Marijuana slows a user's reaction time and affects a driver's ability to drive safely. Remember that drugs — illegal, prescription, or over-the-counter — can impair driving and have deadly consequences. Know how over-the-counter medications affect you before you drive.

2. **Buckle Up — Every Trip, Every Time. Everyone — Front Seat and Back.**
   It's important to buckle up on every trip, every time, in the front seat and the back. Before you start your motor vehicle, check to make sure everyone is buckled.

3. **Keep Eyes on the Road, Hands on the Wheel. All the Time.**
   You should never text, dial, or use mobile apps while driving. Place your phone out of reach when you're on the road. Turn on your phone's "Do Not Disturb" or similar feature to help avoid the temptation of checking the call or text. Remember that distracted driving isn't limited to phone use. Other passengers, audio and climate controls in the vehicle, and eating or drinking while driving are all examples of dangerous distractions for teen drivers. Loud music is distracting, too. Always take your headphones off before driving. You need to be able to hear another vehicle's horn, or the siren from an emergency vehicle, so you can move over for them.

4. **Follow the Posted Speed Limit.**
   Speeding is a critical issue for all drivers, especially for teens who lack the experience to react to changing circumstances around their cars. Obey the posted speed limit and know that every time the speed you're driving doubles, the distance your car will travel when you try to stop quadruples.

5. **Limit Passengers.**
   With each passenger in the vehicle, your risk of a deadly crash goes up. Many states have laws for new teen drivers about how many passengers can be in the car, and who can ride with a teen driver. Know the law before you hit the road; it may prohibit you from having any passengers in the vehicle with you.

Talk to Your Parents/Guardians About Safe Driving Year-Round

If your parents are talking to you about safe driving habits, make sure you listen — don't tune them out. Your parents' constant reminders about these powerful messages will positively impact your driving habits.

Get creative! Talk to your parent or family members about safe driving habits. You can also create a parent-teen driving contract that outlines the rules and consequences set by your parents. Hang the signed contract in a visible place as a constant reminder about the rules of the road.

If you and your parent are going somewhere together, ask to drive. Make sure you are following the rules set by your parent.

Remember, driving — for everyone, teen and adult alike — is a privilege, not a right. If you are having a difficult time following the rules, it may be time for your parents to take away the keys and review the basics. Your safe driving can mean the difference between life and death — for you, your passengers, and other people on the road.

For more information about National Teen Driver Safety Week and to learn more safe driving tips, please visit www.nhtsa.gov/road-safety/teen-driving.

NO KEYS UNTIL YOU KNOW THE RULES

- NO CELL PHONES WHILE DRIVING
- NO PASSENGERS
- NO SPEEDING
- NO ALCOHOL
- NO DROWSY DRIVING
- ALWAYS BUCKLE UP

LEARN THE 6 RULES FOR THE ROAD

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