

**Welcome to
ADTSEA
Oregon Driver and Traffic Safety
Education Program**

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Oregon

**Results Driven Driver Education
Issues**

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Driver Education

ODOT-TSD

Inexperience

Reduce the representation of inexperienced youth drivers involved in crashes.

- Graduated Driver Licensing
- Requiring Driver Education
- Habit Training
- Parent Guided Practice

On July 21, 2005 the Oregon Legislature increased funding for driver education from \$150 to \$210 per student completing an ODOT-TSD approved course.

GDL Results of GDL

- In 1998, there were 1,196 16-year old drivers behind the wheel in a crash when someone was killed or injured. The Year before the license and driver education changes.
- In 2004, there wer 687 16 year older drivers between the wheel when someone was killed or injured. A 42.6% reduction since 1998.

- So the teen driver situation has improved dramatically, how have the students that take driver training fared as compared to those taking all 100 hours of training from their parents?

CAR Study of OR's GDL

- The crash rate for the teens taking formal DE was 11-21% lower than those taking the 100 hour parent program
- The traffic conviction rate for teens taking formal DE was 39-57% lower than those taking the 100 parent program.
- The driver license suspension rate for teens taking DE was 51-53% lower than the parent program

ODOT-TSD TOPICS

- Oregon Transportation Safety Action Plan TSAP– What's Next? DE a top 10 Priority
- The Vision for Reaching More
- Result of the Oregon GDL Study
- University of Oregon Telephone Survey
- Oregon Administrative Rules Revision for Driver Education
- OR Driver Risk Prevention Curriculum 1-6

Oregon Transportation Safety Action Plan

- Require DE
- Increase permit fees
- 2015 require DE for all new drivers
- Establish new standards for DE
- Define a model driver
- Standards for instruction preparation
- Establish licensing and training standards
- Same standards for all DE programs
- Oversight & Management standards
- Commitment to improve driver performance

Oregon DE Future

- Data driven standards
- Singing from the same page.
- Transparent decision process, but, with one-way gates.
- We have not served parents and teens as well as we could have.
- It's all about the kids.





Oregon's Driver Education Goal

Performance Plan



**Standardize & Require
Driver Education**

16-17 Year Olds Deficiencies in Specific Driving Behaviors that Cause Crashes (McKnight 2002)

- 1) Attention-23%
- 2) Adjusting Speed-20.8%
- 3) Search Ahead-19.1%
- 4) Search To The Side-14.2%
- 5) Maintaining Space-9.8%
- 6) Tie-Search to Rear/Emergencies
9.4%

OR Curriculum Modules 1-6

- **Scope and Sequence**
 - Sample
 - Localized
- **Parent Involvement**
- **Using the CD**
- **Modules 1-6**
- **What's in a Mod**
- **In Car Instruction**
- **Developing a Drive Route**
- **Accountability/Curriculum Development**

Merge of Licensing and Training Efforts is Priority...

The reliability, accountability, responsibility, and valuing of life-long learning processes should still remain the highest priorities in resolving the issues surrounding driver education, training, and licensing.



