

# ***National Student Safety Program***



## ***AWARDS PROGRAM***

The youth safety organization of the  
American Driver and Traffic Safety Education Association

# ***NATIONAL STUDENT SAFETY PROGRAM***

The National Student Safety Program (NSSP) was created in 1956 by the National Commission on Safety Education, which was a part of the National Education Association. In 1970, leadership of NSSP was reverted to the American Driver and Traffic Safety Education Association (ADTSEA). ADTSEA, a non-profit organization, became the parent organization.

NSSP encourages student organizations/schools to participate, plan, and conduct projects, events, and activities that promote highway safety education, prevent drug, tobacco, and alcohol-use/abuse/prevention, and provide accurate, up-to-date information and education regarding health and other issues that impact teens. An annual summer teen leadership training conference is held to provide students with an opportunity to network with other students from across the nation, exchange ideas, and to highlight outstanding safety programs and projects.

NSSP activities are coordinated by the ADTSEA office located in Indiana, PA.

## ***MISSION AND GOALS***

The NSSP mission is to reduce injuries and save lives by encouraging and assisting students to initiate and implement safety activities within their respective schools and communities. NSSP fosters awareness that there is a problem on our nation's highways, and students have the power to unite against the growing menace of highway fatalities.

The purpose of NSSP is to:

- stimulate interest in the conservation and enhancement of life through safety promotion;
- focus the attention of youth groups on the need for and benefits of co-curricular;
- provide a supportive network for teens to make safe and healthy lifestyle choices.

The NSSP goals are to:

- highway/traffic safety activities;
- empower students with encouragement, resources, and the leadership skills to carry out constructive and continuing highway/traffic safety programs in their schools and communities;
- provide leadership and a channel through which students can express their thoughts and ideas concerning safety and the well-being of human life.

## ***MEMBERSHIP & REGISTRATION***

Any school that houses senior high or college students may register for the program. Membership is free. [\\_\\_\\_\\_\\_](#)

# **AWARDS PROGRAM**

NSSP recognizes outstanding student organizations/schools, projects, and individuals. This Awards Program will be held at the ADTSEA National Conference held each year in July.

## **AWARD CATEGORIES**

The four award categories are:

### **1. National Youth Safety School/Club/Group Award**

- Gold, Silver, and Bronze Awards
- Gold Awards will have a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> place

Exhibited by:

- Virtual Presentation (Student groups will need to create a power point, google slide, etc.)
- Scrapbook/Picture album (Optional)
- Tri-Fold board (optional)
- Banners/posters/promotional materials used for event(s) (optional)

### **2. National Community Safety Award (Individual or Group)**

- Gold, Silver, and Bronze Awards
- Gold Awards will have a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> place

Exhibited by:

- Virtual Presentation
- Tri-fold (optional)
- Scrapbook/Picture album (optional)
- Banners/posters/promotional materials used for event(s) (optional)

### **3. National Outstanding Individuals Award**

- Student of the Year, High School Division
- Advisor of the Year

### **4. Best in T-Shirt Design**

- 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners

## **JUDGES and JUDGING PROCESS**

The awards committee is composed of ADTSEA members. They will serve as judges and reviews each nominee for award categories 1, 2, and 4. All judges will review award category 3 nominees.

## **HOW TO SUBMIT A NOMINATION**

Each school group submit one nominee per award category 1, 3 & 4. Groups may submit up to 5 community safety projects per school. Each nominee's documentation evidence must have the official NSSP nomination form attached. **Nominations should be submitted to Mrs. Jennifer Brown by July 24, 2022. You are able to submit entries at registration.**

**QUESTIONS**

Questions on the Awards Program should be made to:

Jennifer Brown  
 c/o Gillespie High School  
 612 Broadway, Gillespie IL  
 217-839-2114 (phone)  
 217-839-4302 (fax)  
 217-710-4981 (cell)  
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**AWARD CATEGORIES AND CRITERIA**

**Category 1 - National Safety School/Club/Group Award**

These awards recognize the combined group elements and activities that support a broad, sustained and successful year-long youth safety school/club/group.

A perfect score is 100 percent.

Three levels of distinction are recognized:

- Gold level for 20 to 25 points (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> place top awards from this category)
- Silver level for 14 to 19 points
- Bronze level for 8 to 13 points

Rubric:

3 (Excellent Rating: Performance indicator demonstrates an exceptional understanding/quality/quantity/variety/commitment/participation. Personal excellence is the ability to demonstrate a thorough understanding of the project for all performance indicators)

2 (Proficient Rating: Performance indicator demonstrates a basic understanding/quality/quantity/variety/commitment/participation. Personal proficiency an understanding of the projects performance indicators but lacks the skill level of the excellent category)

1 (Needs Improvement Rating: Performance indicators demonstrate limited understanding/quality/quantity/variety/commitment/participation. Member/Group needs improvement in the understanding of the projects performance indicators)

| Performance Indicator                      | Bronze | Silver | Gold |
|--|--------|--------|------|
| Quality/Quantity of projects completed     | 1      | 3      | 5    |
| Variety of community involvement           | 1      | 3      | 5    |
| Number of students/community participation | 1      | 3      | 5    |
| Overall impression (Project)               | 1      | 3      | 5    |

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|--|---|---|---|
| Neatness, grammar, photos, graphics, design, presentation  |   |   |   |
| Overall impression (Youth)<br>Appearance, Knowledge of project area,<br>Communication skills, leadership | 1 | 3 | 5 |

### **Category 2 - National Community Safety Award**

These awards recognize a community safety project, event or activity that supports the NSSP vision and portrays a positive role model for the community.

A perfect score is 100 points.

Three levels of distinction are recognized:

- Gold level for a 90 to 100 percent (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> place top awards from this category)
- Silver level for a 80 to 89 percent
- Bronze level for a 70 to 79 percent

Rubric:

3 (Excellent Rating: Performance indicator demonstrates an exceptional creativity/planning/implementation/follow-up/involvement/participation/community benefit. Personal excellence is the ability to demonstrate a thorough understanding of the project for all performance indicators)

2 (Proficient Rating: Performance indicator demonstrates a basic creativity/planning/implementation/follow-up/involvement/participation/community benefit. Personal proficiency an understanding of the projects performance indicators but lacks the skill level of the excellent category)

1 (Needs Improvement Rating: Performance indicators demonstrate a limited creativity/planning/implementation/follow-up/involvement/participation/community benefit. Member/Group needs improvement in the understanding of the projects performance indicators)

| Performance Indicator   | Bronze | Silver | Gold |
|---|--------|--------|------|
| Creativity and originality of project   | 1      | 3      | 5    |
| Planning/Implementation/Follow-up   | 1      | 3      | 5    |
| Student/Target Audience Involvement   | 1      | 3      | 5    |
| Overall impression (Project)<br>Neatness, grammar, photos, graphics, design               | 1      | 3      | 5    |
| Overall impression (Youth)<br>Appearance, Knowledge of project area, Communication skills | 1      | 3      | 5    |

### **Category 3 - National Outstanding Individual Youth/Advisor**

These awards recognize individuals who have been influential and have contributed substantially to the NSSP vision and safety mission throughout the year.

One winner will be selected for each category.

Nominees must submit a nomination form and at least three letters of recommendation that include a description of how the nominee demonstrated the criteria for the respective category.

#### **National Student of the Year**

- ❖ School and community involvement
- ❖ Leadership
- ❖ Dedication and reliability
- ❖ Student in good standing (drug-free, uses safety belts, no motor vehicle violations)

#### **National Advisor of the Year**

- ❖ Facilitation of student empowerment
- ❖ Reliability and commitment
- ❖ Motivational ability

### **Category 4 - Best in T-shirt Design**

These awards recognize the marketing efforts of teens in promoting NSSP's mission with T-shirt designs.

An entry shall consist of the T-shirt and a short summary of the objectives of the design.

A perfect score is 25 points.

Three awards will be given to the three highest scores as 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners.

- ❖ Creativity and originality

- ❖ Identification of school/club/group clear and easily recognizable 5
- ❖ Safety message/theme in line with NSSP mission 5
- ❖ Attractiveness of layout/graphics 5
- ❖ Overall appeal 5

Project Entry Form

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

Check the Category for entry:

\_\_\_\_\_ **Category 1 - National Safety School/Club/Group Award**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Category 2 - National Community Safety Award**

Name of project: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name of Project: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Category 3 - National Outstanding Individual Youth/Advisor**

Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_

(Please attach 3 letters of recommendation to this form)

\_\_\_\_\_ **Category 4 - Best in T-shirt Design**

**Student/Advisor of the year  
Nomination Form**

\_\_\_\_\_ Student

\_\_\_\_\_ Advisor

Name of student/advisor: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Include or Attach Letters of Recommendation