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Happy Thanksgiving!

November 2020

*Information may have changed. For more information about COVID-19, visit KDHE's website and Frequently Asked Questions at kdheks.gov/coronavirus and cdc.gov/coronavirus. To view Ad Astra plan, click

Previous Newsletters available by clicking here

WASH YOUR HANDS, WASH YOUR HANDLES As the coronavirus crisis continues, we are amazed at the resilience and dedication of Driver Education community. During this ever-changing landscape, we want to make sure everyone remembers that vehicles should also be thoroughly sanitized to help prevent the spread of the coronavirus. THE DEADLINE!

Deadlines*

Public secondary schools/Nonpublic secondary schools

August 31 – Reimbursement claims Due

USD Administrators and USD Driver Education Instructors:

When the Driver Education Instructors renew their teaching license with KSDE, the DRIVER EDUCATION INSTRUCTOR APPROVAL FORM needs to be filled out and returned to my office.

Commercial Drivers' Training Schools

November – Annual renewal of Drivers' Training Schools; annual renewal of commercial school driving instructors

January 31 - Student Enrolled Form 0-03-02-104R and Driver Training School Report 0-03-02-106R

Motorcycle Programs

January 31 - Student Enrolled Form 0-03-02-104M and Motorcycle/Driver Training School Report 0-03-02-106M Motorcycle Program Approval Form

*ALL PROGRAMS - Retention of records. All records shall be maintained for a period of three (3) years.



Commercial School Fees CHECK OR MONEY ORDER ONLY! The fee for a school operator's license is \$25.00. Each application for an instructor's license must include a \$5.00 fee. REMINDER: When applying for a new license(s) please send paperwork AT

LEAST 1 WEEK PRIOR to the date needed (except for renewals)!

Kansas Curricular Standards for Driver Education revised by the State Board of Education May 2018 Click here or can be found on ksde.org under Driver Education.

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FROM KDOR: Covid-19 Certificate of Completion

Change Due to Covid-19, the following change is in effect until January 26th, 2021: All driver education forms expired after March 11th 2020 will still be accepted at Kansas exam offices. This includes Certificate of Completion documents as well as

the already extended DE-99 Parent/Guardian Permits students may have that did not finish class.

- This means that a student with a Certificate of Completion that expired on <u>3/11/20 or after</u> will not have to retake driver education thru <u>1/26/2021</u>.
- DE-99 Parent/Guardian Permits <u>for students that did not finish class, whose Permit expired after</u> <u>3/11/20 will be accepted until 1/26/2021.</u>
- When students pass the drive test you still take the DE-99 Parent/Guardian Permit and give them the Certificate of Completion. That has not changed.
- Class time length has NOT changed and is still 7 months.

If there are any further changes I will email the group. Michele Chavez | Medical/Vision Unit PSA | Kansas Department of Revenue Kansas Division of Vehicles | (785) 368-8532 (desk) | Michele.Chavez@ks.gov

Kansas Handbook Test & Permit With advisement from the Kansas Driver Education Advisory Board, and requirement(s) from the DMV/KDOR, please see statements below: Previous practice stands to have students take the Kansas Handbook Test in person; Kansas Handbook tests CANNOT be taken or presented online. It is recommended students take the Kansas Handbook test prior to the DE class. This is recommended not required, however this would allow drive instructors to begin driving on the first day of class with those students who already hold their permit. The student would still be required to attend DE class and learn (or review) the content covered. The ones who already held a permit could be exempt from having to take the actual exam.

• Since you are to give the written handbook test to every student, whether they have a current Permit or not, you will enter the Portal application with the expired Permit K number and then give the student the written test along with the rest of the class. As long as the student passes you will give them the Parent/Guardian DE-99 Permit and tell them to take it to the DMV to get a new Permit issued.



COMING SOON! Updated Driver's Ed Toolkit from Kansas Traffic Safety Resource Office (KTSRO) "This program was developed for

use with parents, caregivers and the general public to provide an overview of the requirements of driving on Kansas roadways. I foresee this being used primarily for driver's education parent meetings, presentation at service organizations and local community groups or any venue where education occurs regarding Kansas driving laws." - Tenille Kimberlin | Director, Kansas Traffic Safety Resource Office | www.ktsro.org ktsro@dccca.org | Main Office: 800.416.2522



Schools sign up for <u>SAFE!</u> <u>SAFE</u> is a free, teen-run, peer-to-peer program focusing on increasing teen restraint compliance through education, positive rewards, and enforcement. It is designed to bring awareness to the importance of wearing a seatbelt, therefore reducing the number of motor vehicle-related injuries and fatalities among Kansas teens.

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Driver Education REGIONAL MEETINGS! Regional Meetings will be recorded and posted on the KDSE website under Driver Education.

*Date(s) and Locations are subject to change.

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 Fri., Oct. 9, 2020
 1:00pm-3:00pm
 VIRTUAL MEETING ONLY

 Mon., Dec. 14, 2020
 1:00pm-3:00pm
 VIRTUAL MEETING ONLY - Guest Presenter - Molly Kleiber, MODSEA

 Mon., Feb. 8, 2020
 1:00pm-3:00pm
 VIRTUAL MEETING ONLY

 Wed., April 7, 2021
 1:00pm-3:00pm
 VIRTUAL MEETING ONLY

Registration: https://forms.gle/dmZBGLmNLQjeJzrp7

- 1. It is recommended for schools to send personnel responsible for overseeing Driver Education.
- 2. Remember DE99s are paperless and we will again review procedures for a lost cert. of completion, auditing info, Handbooks and DMV changes/charges for DE-99's, etc.
- 3. Plan to attend one of the meeting options if you plan to offer driver education. You will receive the latest information necessary to offer a state recognized driver education course.
- 4. Some Regional Meetings will cover Professional Development topics.

Reimbursement Deadline as set in Regulations (For School Districts)

By statute (K.S.A. 8-272), in August of each year, the superintendent of each school district and the governing authority of each nonpublic school shall report to the state board of education the number of students who have been in attendance for a complete driver training course during the past school year. Therefore, if a student does not complete the driver training course prior to August 31st, the school will not be able to claim that student for reimbursement purposes *for that year*. Students who complete the course after August 31st would be eligible to be claimed for reimbursement *in the following year*.

- The estimated per pupil amount for students taking driver education in 2017-2018 school year the rate was \$128 for Driver Ed and \$70 for Motorcycle Ed.
- The estimated per pupil amount for students taking driver education in 2018-2019 school year the rate was \$138 for Driver Ed and \$73 for Motorcycle Ed.
- The estimated per pupil amount for students taking driver education in 2019-2020 has not been determined yet.

Motorcycle Tips

The SEE System. Here is a good reminder for riding safely in traffic. This SEE strategy is a mental system for safe motorcycling. Use it effectively and you'll cover many safer, happy miles on your motorcycle. Courtesy of https://www.msf-usa.org/downloads/Street Motorcycle Tips.pdf



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Who do I contact and for what?

Kansas Department of Revenue (KDOR): Kansas Division of ansas Vehicles (DMV), Driver Licensing, Instructor Portal, DE99: Michele

Chavez (785) 368-8532 (desk) | (785) 296-5857 (fax) | <u>Michele.Chavez@ks.gov</u> | <u>www.ksrevenue.org</u> | 300 SW 29th St. | Topeka, Kansas 66601



Kansas State Department of Education (KSDE): Instructor Licenses, Driver Education Curriculum, Reimbursement Portal, Driver EDUCATION
900 S.W. Jackson Street, Sulte 102
Education Professional Development/Resources: Robyn Meinholdt
Topeka, Kansas 66612-1212

(785) 296-3379 (desk) | rmeinholdt@ksde.org ksde.org | 900 SW Jackson St., Ste. 106 | Topeka, KS

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Kansas Driver Safety Education Association (KDSEA) Member

Application here Contact Gary Scott 1617 E Sheridan Bridge Lane Olathe, Kansas 66062 Cell: 913-481-1401 E-mail: scottskufhsu@sbcglobal.net or scottskufhsu@gmail.com WHAT YOUR KDSEA DOES FOR YOU:

- Organize and provides the **Annual Conference**
- Speak as a group that can affect legislative activities
- Support the National Organization They need serious support from all its members!
- Recognize fellow members for years of service
- Provide funds to help send the Association president to the National ADTSEA Conference
- Write letters or makes calls to individual legislators
- Provide help at the regional driver education meetings
- Work in harmony to promote changes in rules and regulations affecting driver education programs

For more KSDE information:

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