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*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.

Previous Newsletters available by clicking [here](#)

Driver Education Advisory Board Vacancy – DEADLINE

MAY 1, 2021



KSDE Driver Education is seeking nominations for members of "Kansas Driver Education Advisory Board." Please feel free to share or nominate someone you think might be good for KDEAB. Contact rmeinholdt@ksde.org for a nomination form.

Vacancy	Reason for Vacancy
Representing	
Public School Driver Education Instructor	Term expiring June 2021
Higher Education Representative	Term expiring June 2021
Commercial Driver Education Instructor	Term expiring June 2021
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I would like to have nominations **by May 1, 2021**. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 785-296-3379 or rmeinholdt@ksde.org

USD New DE Instructor Training (Presented by KSDE & KDOR)

Zoom meeting This zoom meeting is for **NEW instructors only**! If you are a veteran DE instructor, you **DO NOT** need to attend. If you have questions, please contact rmeinholdt@ksde.org

When: May 18, 2021 03:00-4:15 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Register in advance for this meeting: <https://ksde.zoom.us/meeting/register/tjwqce-pzktH9ZftkYUXCOUu5khRyQKwpMW>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.



Motorcycle ONLY Regional Meeting Virtual – May 26, 2021

May 26, 2021 11:00 AM Central Time (US and Canada)

Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://ksde.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwpcu6rrDliHtFkasCIRCjAkn7X6XnVdC0N>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.



Currently looking for speakers for the following:

- Motorcycle Safety & the rules & regulations related to that
- new laws or what they would like our young drivers to know
- Instructional strategies.
- Motorcycle data
- Motorcycle Events
- Misc.

Driver Education Regional Meeting Presenter Application <https://forms.gle/rj4wSaKKxGpg9s9m9>



FROM KDOR – Portal Updates:

KDOR has always advised driver education instructors that system updates occur on the weekends. Any update may affect the Customer Service Center where the Driver Education Portal resides. For this reason, the instruction has always been to do all data entry and printing by Friday prior to 5pm so that KDOR staff is available to assist you.

KDOR/DMV Driver's Education Instructor Portal

Commercial and school district appointed Driver's Education Instructors in the state of Kansas are required to submit student applications, pay application fees, and print documentation from the Driver's Education Instructor Portal. In order to obtain access to the portal, Instructors must be approved by the [Kansas Department of Education](#) and register in the Customer Service Center prior to use.

New Driver Education School? All new Driver's Education Instructor Portal users will need to complete instructional [computer-based training \(CBT\)](#) in order to be granted access to the portal. Please fax or email your completion certificate along with the FEIN Request Form to the [Medical & Vision Unit](#) in order to set up your account. You will be contacted with your account information within 7-10 business days.



Reminder: Social Distancing Guidance

As of May 26, 2020, all decisions regarding the enforcement of social distancing/businesses allowed to open/maximum number of individuals within any particular area or facility are made by your local county health officer. **This applies to K-12 facilities as well as to businesses.** KSDE does not have a list of the rules being enforced by each county. Please reach out to those offices for any questions.



Kansas
Department of Revenue

FROM KDOR: Due to Covid-19, the following change is in effect until June 30th, 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 3/11/20 or after will not have to retake driver education thru 6/30/2021.
- DE-99 Parent/Guardian Permits for students that did not finish class, whose Permit expired after 3/11/20 will be accepted until 6/30/2021.
- 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.

Driver's Ed Toolkit from Kansas Traffic Safety Resource Office (KTSRO)

The Kansas Traffic Safety Resource Office is introducing an updated Driver's Education Tool kit and parent guide. Please visit the website by clicking [HERE](#) for more information and to order yours today! Please contact Jenny Lancaster at jlancaster@dcca.org with any questions. Kansas Traffic Safety Resource Office www.ksro.org ksro@dcca.org | Main Office: 800.416.2522



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.



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.

CLARIFICATION: If you have a student that has an expired Permit issued by the Division of Vehicles or the Permit will expire during class, 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 the student the Parent/Guardian DE-99 Permit and tell them to take it to the Division of Vehicles to have a new Permit issued.

In partnership with KDOR: Driver Education Students Age 14 Clarification

- Because every school begins their driver’s education class at different times there is no yearly cut off. Every driver’s education student must be 14 years of age on the day class begins or they must turn 14 within 1-2 days of the beginning of class. Review the student’s birthdate and if they will not be 14 within 1-2 days of class beginning they will have to take your driver’s education class at a later time when they meet that criteria.
- If you enroll earlier in the year, a 13-year-old student must turn 14 prior to the beginning of class or turn 14 within 1-2 days of class starting. This student can fill out the paper application but it cannot be entered into the Portal until the day they turn 14. This means you must have access to a computer and printer to do the data entry, pay for the application and print the documents. If you are not able to do this, then that student will have to wait to take driver’s education until the following school year or sign up with a Commercial Driver’s Education school when they are 14 or turn 14 within 1-2 days of class starting.
- Students that are not 14 may not participate in anything other than lectures the first 1-2 days of class until they turn 14. This means they cannot take any testing given by their USD school, Greenbush or a Commercial Driving School until they turn 14 which includes online quizzes, chapter tests or the handbook test. NO TESTING before age 14 is set by statutes.



UN Global Road Safety Week May 17-23, 2021

<https://www.unroadsafetyweek.org/en/home>

Highway Traffic Safety Events <https://www.trafficsafetymarketing.gov/calendars>

May 1	National Heatstroke Prevention Day	NHTSA	www.trafficsafetymarketing.gov/get-materials/child-safety/heatstroke-prevention
May 5	Bike to School Day	National Center for Safe Routes to School	www.walkbiketoschool.org
May 9-15	National Police Week	The National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund	www.nleomf.com
May 16-22	National EMS Week	American College of Emergency Physicians	www.acep.org/emswk



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Commercial School Instructor Requirements (Verification of certification is always needed for new instructors and renewals; form available [here](#)) [Kansas Statute 8-276](#).

Drivers' training schools; qualifications for instructor of school. Every person in order to qualify as an instructor for a driving school shall meet the following requirements:

- (a) Present to the state board evidence of: (1) Credit in driver education and safety from an accredited college or university equivalent to credits in those subjects which are required of instructors in the public schools of Kansas; (2) having a valid Kansas teacher's certificate coded for driver education; **OR** (3) having completed at least 30 hours of classroom and 24 hours of behind the wheel training under the direct supervision of an individual who is presently licensed as an instructor by the state board under paragraphs (1) or (2) and who has been continuously licensed and who has actively instructed students for a period of at least three years.
- (b) Have knowledge of the Kansas operation lifesaver highway/railroad grade crossing safety program.
- (c) Be physically able to operate safely a motor vehicle and to train others in the operation of motor vehicles.
- (d) Provide a certificate of health from a medical doctor stating that such person is free from contagious disease.
- (e) Hold a valid Kansas drivers' license.
- (f) Pay to the state board an application fee of \$5.



New GHSA Report Highlights the Deadly Consequences of Teen Speeding

A new GHSA/Ford Motor Company Fund report is helping to call attention to the dangers speeding poses for teens, our most at-risk drivers. [Read More!](#) Courtesy of ADTSEA.

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



ATTENTION All Kansas Driver Educators Kansas Driver Safety Education Association (KDSEA) will be hosting the [ADTSEA](#) Conference in Wichita, Kansas in 2023. The dates are **July 16-19, 2023** at the [Hilton DoubleTree](#).

- Excellent opportunity to learn from the best and open to public and private driving schools.
- \$60.00 gets Kansas membership in both KDSEA and ADTSEA. Start planning now and help KDSEA show off our State to the rest of the USA.
- Kansas Driver Safety Education Association (KDSEA) Member [Application here](#)



July 25-28, 2021 [65th Annual ADTSEA Conference](#) | Sun. – Wed. — Knoxville, TN
July 24-27, 2022 [66th Annual ADTSEA Conference](#) | Sun. – Wed. — Vancouver, WA



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Driver Education

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Want to Learn to Ride a Motorcycle?

Need \$50 Bucks?

Here's How
Kansas residents only!!

To get a \$50 reimbursement for attending a Motorcycle Safety Foundation Rider Course all you need to do is:

- * Paid Receipt of Attendance
- * Certificate of Completion
- * Apply at ktsro.org/motorcycle-trainings

Courtesy of KTSRO

ROAD SAFETY Art Contest

Road Safety Art Contest

Everyone on our roads has a responsibility to help keep each other safe. The annual FMCSA Road Safety Art Contest invites students to use their creativity to raise awareness of how to stay safe on the road, particularly when driving, biking, or...

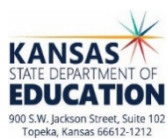
www.fmcsa.dot.gov

Who do I contact and for what?



Kansas Department of Revenue (KDOR): Kansas Division of Vehicles (DMV), Driver Licensing, Instructor Portal including DE99: Michele Chavez (785) 368-8532 (desk) | (785) 296-5857 (fax) | Michele.Chavez@ks.gov |

www.ksrevenue.org | 300 SW 29th St. | Topeka, Kansas 66601



Kansas State Department of Education (KSDE): Instructor Licenses, Driver Education Curriculum, Reimbursement Portal, Driver Education Professional Development/Resources: Robyn Meinholdt (785) 296-3379 (desk) | (785) 296-7933 (fax) | ksde.org |

rmeinholdt@ksde.org | 900 SW Jackson St., Ste. 106 | Topeka, KS 66612

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