

# Driver Education



## September 2020

\*Information may have changed. For more information about COVID-19, visit KDHE's website and Frequently Asked Questions at [kdheks.gov/coronavirus](https://kdheks.gov/coronavirus) and [cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://cdc.gov/coronavirus). To view Ad Astra plan, [click here](#).

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.



### Contactless Solutions for Driver Education

Because contactless solutions are hygienic, efficient, and more secure, they will be a key strategy to progressing in the Driver Education community.

Therefore, required forms have been turned into fillable forms and/or online forms and are available on the KSDE website under [Driver Education Home](#); [Commercial Driving Schools](#); [Driver Education and Motorcycle Resources](#)

Forms will also be edited to include a valid email address for businesses, schools, instructors, and/or educators.

**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)!**



### 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](http://www.ktsro.org) | [ktsro@dccca.org](mailto:ktsro@dccca.org) | Main Office: 800.416.2522

Labor Day Impaired Driving Campaign  
August 19-September 7

Child Passenger Safety Week  
September 20-26

Rural Road Safety Awareness Week  
September 28-October 3



*Kansas leads the world in the success of each student.*



**Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF)** Please note that the MSF will no longer be mailing coach certification cards. Cards are available through their RETSORG profile.

## Driver Education REGIONAL MEETINGS! *\*Locations are subject to change.*

Fri., Oct. 9, 2020	1:00pm-3:00pm	<b>VIRTUAL MEETING ONLY</b>
Mon., Dec. 14, 2020	1:00pm-3:00pm	KASB 1420 SW Arrowhead Rd, Topeka, KS 66604
Mon., Feb. 8, 2020	1:00pm-3:00pm	Johnson Co. Comm. College 2345 College Blvd, Overland Park, KS
Wed., April 7, 2021	1:00pm-3:00pm	<b>VIRTUAL MEETING ONLY</b>

**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.

## 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](#)

**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



## 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 31<sup>st</sup>, the school will not be able to claim that student for reimbursement purposes *for that year*. Students who complete the course after August 31<sup>st</sup> 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 because the "season" has not concluded.*



## 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.

## 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](mailto:scottskufhsu@sbcglobal.net) or [scottskufhsu@gmail.com](mailto: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

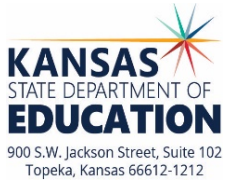


*Kansas leads the world in the success of each student.*

## Who do I contact and for what?



**Kansas Department of Revenue (KDOR): Kansas Division of Vehicles (DMV), Driver Licensing, Instructor Portal, DE99: Michele Chavez** (785) 368-8532 (desk) | (785) 296-5857 (fax) | [Michele.Chavez@ks.gov](mailto:Michele.Chavez@ks.gov) | [www.ksrevenue.org](http://www.ksrevenue.org) | 300 SW 29th St. | Topeka, Kansas 66601



**Kansas State Department of Education (KSDE): Instructor Licenses, Driver Education Curriculum, Reimbursement Portal, DE Professional Development/Resources: Robyn Meinholdt** (785) 296-3379 (desk) [rmeinholdt@ksde.org](mailto:rmeinholdt@ksde.org) [ksde.org](http://ksde.org) | 900 SW Jackson St., Ste. 106 | Topeka, KS 66612-1212

### **FYI: ATTENTION ALL DRIVER EDUCATION PROGRAMS: Robyn Meinholdt KSDE work schedule**

My work schedule will be changing due to the hybrid learning environment affecting my child's schooling. Therefore, I am only going to be in the office Mondays and Tuesdays for the month of September. I will be unavailable Wednesdays through Fridays. I will not be taking calls or responding to emails during that unavailability. In my absence, please continue to email me or call and leave a voicemail. In case of an immediate need you may contact my Director, Mischel Miller, [mmiller@ksde.org](mailto:mmiller@ksde.org) or (785) 296-8010. I apologize for any inconvenience.

## For more KSDE information:

Robyn Meinholdt  
Public Service Administrator - Driver Education  
Teacher Licensure and Accreditation  
(785) 296-3379  
[rmeinholdt@ksde.org](mailto:rmeinholdt@ksde.org)

Mischel D. Miller, Ed.S.  
Director  
Teacher Licensure and Accreditation  
(785) 296-8010  
[mmiller@ksde.org](mailto:mmiller@ksde.org)

R. Scott Gordon  
General Counsel  
Office of General Counsel  
[sgordon@ksde.org](mailto:sgordon@ksde.org)



Kansas State Department of Education  
900 S.W. Jackson Street, Suite 102  
Topeka, Kansas 66612-1212  
(785) 296-3201  
[www.ksde.org](http://www.ksde.org)

The Kansas State Department of Education does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability or age in its programs and activities and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policies: KSDE General Counsel, Office of General Counsel, KSDE, Landon State Office Building, 900 S.W. Jackson, Suite 102, Topeka, KS 66612, (785) 296-3201. Rev. 8/27/2020