"The one thing that unites all human beings, regardless of age, gender, religion, economic status or ethnic background, is that deep down inside, we ALL believe that we are above average drivers."

"Driving is a privilege not a right"

What are the REAL Teen Driving Risks?

Inexperience 6 – 12 Months After Licensed

Teen Passengers Cell Phone

Internet

No Seat Belt Texting

Nighttime Hours

Invincibility Peer Pressure

Speeding

Brain Development No Adult Supervision

Alcohol/Drugs

Drowsy/Sleepy

"Good" kids make mistakes and crash, too!

Question #1 of 8:

For the <u>first 6 months of licensure</u>, teen drivers are allowed only ____ passenger(s) under age 20 who are not members of the driver's immediate family, unless they are accompanied by a parent or guardian.

a.)0 b.)1 c.)2 d.)3 e.)4 f.)No Limit



Question #2 of 8:

For the <u>second 6 months of licensure</u>, teen drivers are allowed only ____ passenger(s) under age 20 who are not members of the driver's immediate family, unless they are accompanied by a parent or guardian.

a.)0 b.)1 c.)2 d.)3 e.)4 f.)No Limit



Question #3 of 8:

A parent can withdraw consent for their child (under age 18), to drive by submitting a form to the Department of Public Safety.

True

False

Question #4 of 8:

It's illegal for a 16-year-old licensed teen driver to use a cell phone while driving.

True

False

Question #5 of 8:

During the <u>first 6 months of licensure</u>, teen drivers are prohibited from driving between ____ and ____,

unless they are accompanied by someone

25 or older.

a.) 9 p.m. & 5 a.m.

b.) 11 p.m. & 6 a.m.

c.) Midnight & 5 a.m.



Question #6 of 8:

It's illegal for ____ to text or access the Internet, when the vehicle is in motion or a part of traffic.

a.) Teen drivers only

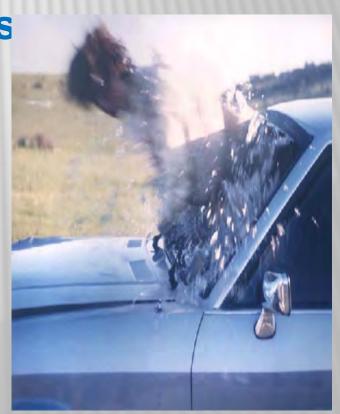
b.) All drivers



Question #7 of 8:

Minnesota law requires _____ to be buckled up or to be in a proper child restraint.

- a.) Only front seat occupants
- b.) All occupants
- c.) Only those under age 18



Question #8 of 8:

A person's greatest lifetime chance of being in a fatal crash occurs ____

- a.) During the first 6 12 months after receiving a license.
- b.) When issued an instruction permit and learning how to drive.
- c.) After reaching the legal drinking age of 21.

MARSHALL DRIVER'S EDUCATION PROGRAM

- Co-sponsored by Marshall Public Schools and Marshall Community Services
- Brief History
- Staff Experienced and MDTSEA members (Advisory Board)

WHAT IS MDTSEA? MINNESOTA DRIVER AND TRAFFIC SAFETY EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

- A professional organization of driver educators in Minnesota
- Minnesota licensed teachers State Board of Teaching Driver's Education (St. Cloud)
- Purpose: teach young people to drive safely and defensively
- Regional workshops and spring conference
- Lobby legislature on Minnesota's traffic laws and regulations
- MDTSEA newsletter "Milepost" publication

MARSHALL DRIVER'S EDUCATION PROGRAM

- 250 students (youth and adult) year round program
- Required 38 hours three phases (classroom, simulation and Behind the Wheel)
- Key note speakers include: law enforcement, insurance agents, snowplow/school bus/truck drivers
- New! Parent-Teen session implemented/ developed by MN Youth Traffic Safety Council — Dept. of Traffic Safety

PARENT-TEEN SESSION WILL:

- Assist parents in their awareness of the common risks for their teen driver
- Increase parents' understanding in the strong influence they have on their teen's driving behavior
- Provide information and tools they can use to help support their teen in driving safety

"PARENTS ARE THE MOST IMPORTANT INSTRUCTORS IN THEIR CHILD'S DRIVER'S TRAINING PROCESS" – NOT REVERSED!

- Minimum of 30-50 hours during permit phase plus additional hours after obtaining license
- Practice and more practice during ALL types of conditions – weather, day/night, winter, icy, gravel, etc.
- Positive Parenting! Expect resistance and predetermine consequences
- Understand the Minnesota Graduated Driver's License (GDL) process – 3 stages: permit, provisional & full

CHANGES AND CHALLENGES

THE PAST

- Do you remember your driver's training experience?
- 35 millimeter projectors, VHS, copiers, Behind the Wheel, straight sticks, power steering, roll up windows, no seat belts

THE PRESENT AND FUTURE CHALLENGES

- Technology laptops, smart boards, anti-lock brakes, locking doors, GPS, park assist, rearview cameras, etc.
- Cell phones, texting, internet distracted driving
- New required curriculums organ donation, carbon monoxide poisoning, submersion in water, bus/truck information

ADDITIONAL CHALLENGES

- More technology − Is this good? Is the auto industry willing to change?
- Safer environment to practice − Marshall MERIT Center

Answers:

- 1. "b" One Passenger
- 2. "d" Three Passengers
- 3. "True" A parent can withdraw consent
- 4. "True" It is illegal for teen cell phone use
- 5. "c" Midnight to 5 a.m.
- 6. "b" Illegal for ALL drivers to text
- 7. "b" Seat belts required for ALL
- 8. "a" Highest Risk first 6 12 mo's licensed

Pilot Results (as of April 6)

12 Classes

227 Parents

Knowledge of Laws	Pre	Post	<u>Difference</u>
Consent Withdrawal:	95%	98.5%	+3.5%
Texting:	85.5%	91%	+5.5%
Cell Use:	91%	98%	+7%
Seat Belts:	87%	97%	+10%
Greatest Risk:	82.5%	92%	+9.5%

Knowledge of Laws	Pre	Post	Difference
Passengers (First 6):	63%	87%	+24%
Nighttime Restriction:	43%	86%	+43%
Passengers (Second 6):	23%	79.5%	+56.5

Confidence Understanding Teen Driving Laws:

<u>Pre</u>	<u>Post</u>	<u>Difference</u>
36%	74%	+38%

99.5% Will Use the Information

98.5% Would Recommend the Class to Other Parents

Class Rating:



★ Good 35%

Fair 2% (attributed to parent having a bad hair day)

Poor 0%

Parent/Teen Class

- 1.5 hours
- Parents & Teens
- Customizable
- Engage Parents Emotional Appeal
- Community: Law Enforcement, EMS,
- Evaluations

Risks Laws Parental Role Resources

Driver Education Parent Class Survey

"Does your driver education program include a parent classroom session?"

238 Surveyed

184 (77%) Responses

59 (33%) Have a Parent Class

123 (67%) No Parent Class

25 (14%) Interested in Pilot Program

