



## Parent Meeting 2018

### Introduction

- Welcome from Kimma Harper, President

### Buying a new or used car for your teen?

### Course Information

- Classroom Instruction
- At-home Assignments
- Parent Meeting
- Behind-the-Wheel Driving Instruction (6 hrs)
- Practice with parent or guardian (4 hrs minimum, 100 hrs recommended)

### Classroom Instruction

- 30 hours
  - Ignorance is NO Excuse (4 hrs)
  - How to Drive (20 hrs)
    - Share the Road Outdoor Activities on Day 3
  - Don't Drive Stupid (6 hrs)
- Written exams will be administered throughout the week.
  - (85% cumulative minimum score required to pass)
- Notebooks and textbooks

### Classroom Ins and Outs

- 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. for five days
- One morning & one afternoon break
- 1-hour lunch break at noon (Parent communicate with your teen about leaving or not)
- Pizza, BYO, parent pick-up
- Snacks/drinks available & allowed
- Keep all electronics OFF between breaks (confiscated for the day, if visible or audible)
- Stay Focused on Driver Education
- Have FUN!

### Driving Instruction

- 6 hours Behind-the-Wheel Driving Instruction (details & evaluation)
- Permit required (You must have permit in your possession before scheduling lessons.)
- Cars (Honda Accords, Toyota Camry)
- Instructors

### How to...Schedule driving lessons

#### On-line scheduling calendar/password

- Go to homepage, DrivingNWA.com
- Log into your student account
- On the left, in your student center, there is a column of options
- Select "Schedule Lessons 4 Periods"
- Enter student's permit number and expiration date
- The calendar has days highlighted in red, yellow, and green. Green means that there are lessons available that day
- Select a lesson and click register
- Check boxes to be notified of lessons already taken, but that you would like, if they come available

#### More about Driving Lessons

- Four (4) 1.5-hour lessons (equals 6 hours)
- Driving lessons allowed when paid in full
- Four standard Meeting locations for teens
- Cancellation policy (24 hrs notice required to avoid penalties)
- MUST have valid permit or license before scheduling a lesson
- Ideally: Take notebook to each lesson & have all hw assignments completed by 4th lesson
- Consecutive lessons no closer than one week after previous one
- Should finish all driving lessons by 3 months after 1st day of classroom instruction (avoids contract extension fees)
- May have to take less-preferred time slots for some lessons
- **MUST** finish the entire program by 9 months after 1st day or start all over.

- We encourage a parent to ride along quietly.

#### Practice with Parent or Guardian

- BtW Documentation
- Permit IS required
- 4 hours minimum / 100 hours recommended
- 2 hours minimum at night
- "New Driver" Removable Adhesives available for \$5 (tax included)

#### Certificate of Achievement:

##### Student Must....

- Pass tests with a cumulative 85%
- complete all classroom time (miss a 3-hour block at a time, if must miss)
- **complete every homework assignment**
- Take all four Behind-the-Wheel lessons
- practice with parent
- Pass the driving evaluation (usually during 4<sup>th</sup> teen lesson)

##### Parent Must.....

- Make full payment
- Let teen practice or purchase additional lessons
- Complete driving contract with teen
- Attend Parent Meeting
- Allow 10 business days after 3 forms submitted to us
- Notify us of any address correction

#### Parent/Teen Driving Contracts

- Insurance %
- Code Word
- Watch online AT&T Documentary (The Last Text)
- 1<sup>st</sup> six months recommendations
  - ZERO passengers
  - NO cell phone use (Ever! Even if with parent!)
  - Limit driving between 9 p.m. and 5 a.m. without a parent

#### Optional Assignments

- Read chapters in textbook
- Driving Academy of NWA Facebook Fan-page
  - Click "Like" & "Get Notifications"
  - Please post any positive comments
  - Post a "Review"
- Twitter (DAofNWA)
- Car Repair Basics educational videos from Advanced Auto Parts online

#### Optional Supplements

- "New Driver" adhesives (\$5 each)
- Additional Driving Lessons (only \$90 per 1.5-hrs or \$360 for 6 hours after comprehensive package)

#### Young Drivers: The High-Risk Years

- IIHS 20-minute video (available on YouTube)

#### Arkansas' GDL (Graduated Driver Licensing Law)

- Nighttime restrictions: 11 pm - 4 am
- Passenger restrictions: no more than 1 minor-aged passenger (family members not included)
- Every passenger must be buckled
- NO cell-phone use by driver at all

#### Warning: "Your teen will start critiquing your driving!"

- Appropriate responses:
  - "You're right, I need to work on that."
- Or
  - "Really? I didn't know that. Tell my why."

#### Best use of investment:

- Model Intelligent Driving
- Learn from new source of knowledge
- Practice using ABS brakes
- Practice off-road recovery
- Skid-recovery
- Model enjoyable driving
- Student Notebook
- Model Speed Management
  - Video, "It's 30 for a reason"

#### Reference Points

##### Technology Available

- DriveFit app for iPad on the Apple iTunes Store
- Autoban mirrors
- GPS Trackers w/speed & geo-fence alerts (Zubie)
- Phone apps to limit texting/talking while driving/locate teen
- Ford "My Key" & similar option with newer Chevrolets
- Contact Various Insurance Agents for "free" devices

##### What type of vehicle to buy a new driver

- IIHS and Safercar.gov
- Mid-size vs. small (g-forces double w/1 less foot of crumple zone at 30 mph)

##### Training Your New Driver

- Say what to DO versus what not to do
- 3 phases of Instruction (Tell, Ask, Silence)
- Multiple levels of "Slow Down" (release accelerator, squeeze brake, STOP)

##### First Day of Class: Send....

- \$20 cash or check for textbook (exact amount)
- Payment, if applicable
- Lunch and/or lunch money
- Small bills for vending machines
- A rested teenager
- An extra layer of clothing