

Safety

Prerequisites: Students must successfully complete 8 hours of academic coursework during the previous two semesters

Level: 9th grade

Credits: 0.5

Course Description

This course is composed of two different phases.

Classroom Phase	Laboratory Phase
<p>Emphasis is on safety and efficient use of streets and highways. Main study topics are: traffic laws, laws of nature, alcohol and drugs, adverse driving conditions, buying and insuring a car, highway driving, and motorcycle safety.</p> <p>The Minimum requirement for the classroom phase is 30 hours. With the nine weeks scheduled we get approximately 35 hours.</p>	<p>Designed to provide a sequence of experiences that will enable the learner to progress from simple to complex driving maneuvers (getting ready to put the automobile in motion, starting and stopping, turnabouts, and parking).</p> <p>Six hours is the minimum requirement of behind the wheel practice for each student. This is composed of one to two hours of rural roads, one to two hours on highways and two to three hours in a city or a town.</p>
<p>Other State Rules:</p>	<p>All students must drive a minimum of 50 hours with their parents (10 of those hours must be a night). It is the parent's responsibility to record these hours on the form provided by the Secretary of State and sign to verify these hours have been completed.</p>

Course Outline

Rules of the Road	DUI laws and penalties Signs and pavement markings Adverse weather conditions	Safety rules Equipment failure
Basics of driving	Things that must be done before putting a vehicle in motion Things that must be done before starting a vehicle Things that must be done when putting a vehicle in motion Things that must be done when pulling over to park Starting, stopping, braking, and turning Various types of parking	Turnabouts
Driving in adverse weather conditions	Discuss the effects of weather conditions and the handling of your vehicle Explain the changes drivers must make when driving in different conditions Discuss what drivers should do if they are involved in an accident	
Effects of alcohol and other drugs on driving	Discuss the effects of drugs on the ability to drive. Discuss the penalties for DUI and Zero Tolerance convictions. Discuss ways to handle social pressures. Explain what drivers should do if they are pulled over by the police.	
Automobile Insurance	Define various terms associated with automobile insurance. Discuss the various types of automobile insurance. Explain the types of coverage that must be carried by drivers in Illinois.	

Teaching Methods

This class is taught through lectures, projects, presentations, reading, and discussion. Students are allowed to work together on selected assignments.

Assessment

Students will be assessed on lecture material through tests and quizzes.

Texts

We will be using the Responsible Driving year 1997 book by Glencoe for this class.