

Utah Driver Education News

January 2023



UDTSEA DRIVER EDUCATION CONFERENCE APRIL 24, 2023

The Driver Education Conference is scheduled for Monday April 24th at the Davis Conference Center. This is the first day of the Utah Highway Safety Summit. The 2023 conference will be in person only.

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Driver education funds for equipment are currently available in Utah Grants

Check with your business manager and apply, application deadline is January 31, 2023

Grant is for purchases between July 1, 2022 and June 30, 2023

DE Law and Policy

Begins January 2, 2023

MIDAS #31794

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H EDU 350

Begins January 9, 2023

University of Utah Continuing Ed

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As an ADTSEA member, you can register for previously recorded presentations and workshops, view the recording, successfully answer questions related to the presentation, and receive a certificate for continuing education/professional development. For more information log into your [ADTSEA member account](#). Topics include: motorcyclist awareness, learning activities, virtual learning, tire safety, training drivers with disabilities, diagnosing Gen Z, cultural equity, advanced driver-assistance systems, behind-the-wheel and classroom teaching and learning theories, and more!



ALWAYS SEARCH FOR MOTORCYCLISTS

[Motorcyclist Awareness Materials for Driver Education](#)

Courageous Persuaders Scholarship for the 2022-2023 school year.

Courageous Persuaders is a unique and influential video scholarship competition that was created to make a difference in tragic statistics related to the dangers of underage drinking and texting while driving. Students are encouraged to use their creative talents to create television commercials that stress these messages, turning students into teachers, positive role models, and community leaders for middle school students, who are the viewers and judges of the winning videos.

Objectives of the Courageous Persuaders Program: Raise awareness about the dangers of underage drinking and the dangers of texting while driving among high school and middle school students. Educating youth about the dangers of underage drinking and the dangers of texting while driving, inviting high school students to create a 30-second video, warning middle school students about these dangers. Each year, over \$28,000 in scholarships and awards are presented to participating students. Check out past submissions at: www.CourageousPersuaders.com
Contact regarding submissions and scholarships is [Sophia Lorenzetti](mailto:Sophia.Lorenzetti@utah.gov) or 248-283-5129.

Reduce the dangers of teen driving, parents need realistic advice.

[Click here to read the entire article](#)



States Take Action to Curb Drunk and Drugged Driving as New Federal Data Underscores Urgency of the Problem

WASHINGTON, D.C. – As holiday season celebrations kick into high gear, the Governors Highway Safety Association (GHSA) is joining forces with federal, state and private-sector partners to encourage people who consume alcohol or other impairing substances to make the safer choice and leave the driving to someone who is sober. The initiative is critical as the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) announced earlier today the findings of a new study of trauma center data that examined the pervasiveness of alcohol and drug use in serious and fatal crashes involving drivers, bicyclists and pedestrians.

According to the new NHTSA study, 56% of seriously or fatally injured road users tested positive for alcohol or some type of impairing substance, with cannabis (25%) being the most prevalent. In addition, two or more drugs were found in 18% of serious injury cases and 32% of the fatalities. To combat this pervasive problem NHTSA highlighted the coordinated efforts taking place nationwide to combat alcohol- and drug-impaired driving during this holiday season. As part of those efforts, GHSA has partnered with Lyft and the Foundation for Advancing Alcohol Responsibility (Responsibility.org) to provide grants to State Highway Safety Offices to support alternative transportation options for alcohol- and drug-impaired revelers, and [education materials](#) to schools.

UDTSEA BOARD– Next Meeting is January 17, 2023

The board is designed to represent you, and be a direct resource for current up to date information. If you have questions or would like assistance with your program, reach out to the board member in your area or attend a board meeting. Next board meeting: January 17, 2023 at 9:30 am at Granite School District GEC Auditorium C or [LINK BY ZOOM](#)

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