With your support, high school driver education will continue to be an effective countermeasure for one of our nation’s most serious public health problems — injuries and death which result from motor vehicle crashes annually!

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It’s a fact: Traffic crashes have been reduced in Illinois due to comprehensive instruction in quality high school driver education programs. These educators are certified by the Illinois State Board of Education.

**Student education provides knowledge and skills**

A quality high school driver education program provides:

- Well-organized and competent instruction so that students will be able to safely operate a motor vehicle.
- Guidance and an authoritative voice that can help students understand and respect the legal, moral and ethical responsibilities associated with driving.
- Increases opportunities for young adults to obtain and maintain employment for which transportation is needed.
- ISBE certified instructors that must follow specific educational guidelines.

**High school driver education is effective**

Data from major insurance companies proves young drivers who have completed high school driver education have fewer and less costly crashes than those with no formal training.

**Student driver education is cost effective**

School districts receive reimbursement funds for each student that completed high school driver education. These funds come from a percentage of certain traffic fees, permit fees and fees collected by the Illinois Secretary of State. They are "user fees." That means they are not tax-dollars, and they are not Board of Education funds. They are Highway Safety funds and should not be used for other school programs.

In some schools, the amount of reimbursement does not cover the full cost of the program. In those instances careful program management can keep the local expenses to a minimum or a lab fee may be assessed. The price is very small when weighed against the values and benefits of the program.