

Driver's Education

I. Course Description

This one-semester course provides essential information that a student needs to know in preparation for actual driving. It teaches the student the risks and responsibilities of operating a vehicle and teaches the student how to be a good driver.

II. Goals and Objectives

- A. To teach responsible road habits
- B. To make the student aware of the risks of driving
- C. To teach safety measures
- D. To prepare the student to take the written permit test

III. Outline

- A. Starting with you: assessing and managing risk; knowing yourself: emotions, vision, physical condition; handling social pressures
- B. Learning the basics: signs, signals, and markings; rules of the road; getting to know your car; starting, steering, and stopping; basic driving skills
- C. Moving onto the road: turning and parking; driving environments; light and weather conditions; sharing the roadway; natural laws and driving; responding to emergencies
- D. Planning for your future: buying a car; car systems and maintenance; planning a trip; getting ready for your driving test

IV. Instructional Materials

- A. *Responsible Driving*, Glencoe /McGraw-Hill 2000
- B. California DMV Driver's Handbook

V. Teaching Methods

- A. Student-directed reading
- B. Application

VI. Evaluation

- A. Student responses
- B. Final

VII. Grading

- A. 90-100 A
- B. 80-89 B
- C. 70-79 C