



## DRIVER EDUCATION

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DRE201 DR ED CL 1                      DRE203 DR ED CL 2

DRE204 DR ED CL 3                      DRE206 DR ED CL 4

**Elective:**            **Grades 10, 11, 12. One quarter unit**

**Prerequisite:**    **Sophomore standing (must be 15 years old at inception of course).  
SEE SPECIAL NOTE.**

**Grade Weight:**   **College Prep**

**Classroom Phase** - Students may be scheduled by birthdate (oldest student first) for Driver Education for one quarter in lieu of their Physical Education class. Students will receive extensive instruction in basic Illinois Rules of the Road, defensive driving strategies and critical thinking skills in common emergency situations. Instruction and discussion in areas such as purchasing and insuring a car, driving under the influence of alcohol and drugs, and developing proper attitudes for becoming safe new drivers will be covered in the classroom phase.

**Behind-the-Wheel** - Following successful completion of the classroom phase of Driver Education, students may register for behind-the-wheel instruction during the following summer. Students will be scheduled for a two week block of time for their summer behind-the-wheel instruction. **Note:** A fee must be paid before beginning the behind-the-wheel portion of the course.

**CDTP**- The Cooperative Driving Testing Program allows students who receive an A or B in the classroom to take their behind-the-wheel driving test with a Leyden High School instructor. Students who receives a C or D in the classroom phase must take the driving test at the Secretary of State's office. Students still need the required 30 hours of classroom and 6 hours of behind-the-wheel instruction.

**SPECIAL NOTE:** Illinois law requires that any high school student who wishes to enroll in Driver Education must have earned 4 credits in the previous 2 semesters to be eligible to enroll in the course. Students who violate the Board of Education policies regarding substance abuse will not be permitted to participate in Leyden Driver Education until the fall of their junior year.