



STATE OF ALABAMA
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



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State Superintendent of Education

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MEMORANDUM

TO: City and County Superintendents of Education

FROM: Eric G. Mackey *E.G.M.*
State Superintendent of Education

SUBJECT: Additional Certification and Professional Development for Driver and Traffic Safety Education Teachers

To assist local education agencies in seeking Driver and Traffic Safety Education (DTSE) teachers, the Alabama State Department of Education (ALSDE) offers the Additional Certification in Driver and Traffic Safety Education.

The Additional Certification in Driver and Traffic Safety Education approach is for an applicant who already holds a valid Alabama Professional Educator Certificate or Professional Leadership Certificate. The individual will need to successfully complete and earn credit for the required ALSDE basic and advanced Driver Education courses. Application forms and information pertaining to this approach can be found at <https://alabamaachieves.org/teacher-center/teacher-certification/> (*Additional Certification in Driver and Traffic Safety Education*).

Please be advised that certification through the Additional Teaching Field (CBT) and Preliminary Certificate Through Exception (ADM) approaches are no longer certification options for DTSE. The basic course will be taught November 29-December 3, 2021, and the advanced course will be taught December 6-10, 2021, at the site indicated in the first column below. Space will be limited.

The institution listed in the second column will award credits. A map and an update will be provided upon receipt of the enclosed information sheet.

Attendance Location
Alabama Traffic Safety Center
Vacca Hall
985 Shelby Street
Montevallo, AL 35115

Institution Awarding Credit
Alabama State Department of Education

Registration and payment can be made in advance or on site the first day of class. Course credit must appear in the Professional Learning Portal. The total cost for these classes is \$800 for the two weeks additional certification in DTSE.

Please complete and return the enclosed ALSDE Registration Form. If additional information is needed, you may contact Mr. Jeremy Seamon or Mr. Brian Carter at 334-694-4845 or by email at jseamon@alsde.edu or bcarter@alsde.edu. For additional information concerning the classes offered, check our Department's website at www.alabamaachieves.org under Education Professionals and Driver and Traffic Safety Education.

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Enclosures

cc: High School Principals
Driver Education Teachers
Mr. Chad Carpenter

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