



STATE OF ALABAMA
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



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State Superintendent of Education

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MEMORANDUM

Governor Kay Ivey
President

TO: City and County Superintendents of Education

Jackie Ziegler
District I

FROM: Eric G. Mackey *EGM*
State Superintendent of Education

Tracie West
District II

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

Stephanie Bell
District III

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*).

Yvette M. Richardson, Ed.D.
District IV
Vice President

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 first summer session will be taught May 23-27 and May 31-June 3, 2022, and the second session will be taught July 11-15 and July 18-22, 2022, at the site indicated in the first column below. Space will be limited.

Tonya S. Chestnut, Ed.D.
District V

The institution listed in the second column will award credits.

Attendance Location

Institution Awarding Credit

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

Alabama State Department of Education

Cynthia McCarty, Ph.D.
District VI

Registration and payment can be made in advance or on-site on 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 of additional certification in DTSE. Make checks and money orders payable to the Alabama State Department of Education/Driver Education.

Belinda McRae
District VII

Please complete and submit the registration form that can be found by clicking [here](#). 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 this Certification Course offered, check our Department's website at [Alabama Drivers and Traffic Safety Education - Alabama State Department of Education \(alabamaachieves.org\)](http://Alabama Drivers and Traffic Safety Education - Alabama State Department of Education (alabamaachieves.org)).

Wayne Reynolds, Ed.D.
District VIII
President Pro Tem

EGM/JS/FT

Eric G. Mackey, Ed.D.
Secretary and
Executive Officer

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

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