

# Remote Education Programs

Grades K-12



2020-2021

Our mission is to achieve the Vision Zero goal by measurably reducing traffic fatalities and injuries by serving New York City schools, reaching out to students from Kindergarten to 12th grade and to parents with innovative information programs.

As students prepare to go back to school, even on a limited basis, we want to continue to ensure that children stay safe in the traffic environment. With the widespread onset of COVID19 and social distancing, NYC families face the challenge of encouraging their children to be active out-of-doors, and at the same time stay aware and be prepared for anything when walking, biking and riding in cars.

To address this critical need, SEO will now offer our core K-12 presentations in **remote learning formats** to deliver to students, their parents, and their schools.

Our staff of experienced educators will customize the approach to each school and schedule remote classes giving students the confidence and knowledge they need to get around safety.

**Contact us today** to book your class at [safety-ed@dot.nyc.gov](mailto:safety-ed@dot.nyc.gov) or 212-839-4750.

## AVAILABLE PROGRAMS FALL 2020

### ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- My Safety Toolbox (Grades 1-3)
- Cross This Way (Grades 4-5)
- Word on the Street (Grades 4-5)
- Parents Workshop (Parents of Pre-K-5 students)
- [Think Safety magazine](#) for parents (online: NYC DOT Safety Education/Think Safety)

### MIDDLE SCHOOL

- Cross This Way (Grade 6)
- Word on the Street (Grade 6)
- Vision Hero Grades (6-8)
- Stop-Think-Act (Grades 7-8)

### HIGH SCHOOL

- STOP DWI (Grades 9-12)
- Behind the Wheel (Grades 11-12)
- Alive at 25 (Grades 11-12)

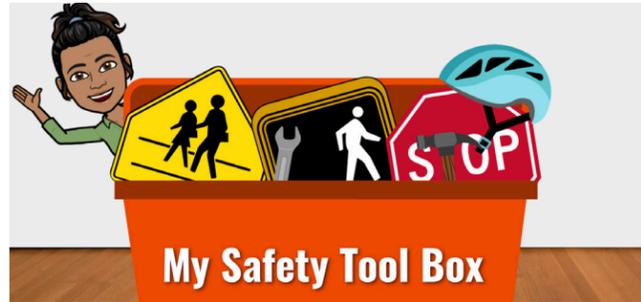
**One-on-one consultation** available to schools interested in encouraging student biking and walking as a means of transportation to and from school.



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GRADES 1-3

## My Safety Toolbox

**My Safety Toolbox** teaches 1st-3rd grade students about the tools available to keep them safer on NYC streets.

### This presentation

- ✓ Discusses how signals, signs and street markings work to keep everyone safer on the city streets.
- ✓ Explains that everyone has tools that help them be safer outside.
- ✓ Teaches children the importance of what they can do or wear to be safer when they are on wheels and in cars.
- ✓ Raises awareness of possible traffic risks and solutions in the school zone.
- ✓ Introduces fundamentals of safe biking.
- ✓ Illustrates basic car passenger safety.

### Format

This is a single class lesson available to teachers via **YouTube video** to post to Google Classroom or other remote presentation platform. A short follow-up quiz is available for teachers to measure student learning.

### Topics

- ✓ Pedestrian, bicycle and passenger safety
- ✓ Personal and environmental safety tools
- ✓ School zone dangers and safety solutions
- ✓ Bike riding safety.
- ✓ Car passenger safety.
- ✓ Learning to use our own personal safety tools to be safe when we walk outside and cross streets



GRADES 4-5

## Cross This Way

**Cross This Way** encourages 4th-5th grade students to think about street safety and make safer decisions in the traffic environment.

### This presentation

- ✓ Depicts children and teens crossing New York City streets in realistic situations that may be risky.
- ✓ Engages students in analyzing the scenarios and thinking critically about safe decision-making.
- ✓ Provides classroom and follow-up activities that reinforce the safety tips developed by the students.
- ✓ Students receive a Cross This Way workbook with both classroom and follow-up activities to be conducted after the DOT presentation.

### Format

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### Topics

- Pedestrian safety
- Personal and environmental safety tools
- Decision making in the traffic environment to foster safer choices



GRADE 4-5

## Word on the Street

**Word on the Street** uses remote audience response technology to engage 4th-5th grade students via a **Zoom** class with a DOT safety educator to think about best safety practices in the traffic environment, as pedestrians, as bicyclists, and as motor vehicle passengers.

### This presentation

- ✓ Addresses the three most common traffic injury scenarios for pedestrians.
- ✓ Highlights driver behaviors that make each of the situations more high risk.
- ✓ Identifies special equipment that makes us all safer such as helmets and seatbelts.

### Format

This is a live single class remote presentation presented via a **Zoom** class with a DOT safety educator featuring a PowerPoint enriched with KeyPoint Connect (a remote student-operated interactive audience response system) to promote participation and understanding of best practices in the traffic environment.

### Topics

- Pedestrian safety
- Personal and environmental safety tools
- Decision making in the traffic environment to foster safer choices



For Parents

FOR PARENTS OF PRE-K TO 5TH GRADE

## Parent Workshop

**Parent workshops** are designed for parents and caregivers of Pre-K to 5th grade children.

### This presentation:

- ✓ Outline risks and safety tips for parents to share with their children as pedestrians, bicyclists and vehicle passengers.
- ✓ Engages with parents to discuss real life scenarios and builds awareness about traffic safety issues in the neighborhood.
- ✓ Helps prevent future incidents by presenting simple steps to making safer choices.

### Format

This is a remote **Zoom class** with a live DOT safety educator that can be adapted in length for PTA or smaller group parent meetings featuring a traffic safety PowerPoint presentation and audience participation, available in English, Spanish, Chinese, or Haitian.

### Topics

- Neighborhood conditions
- Dangerous behaviors in the traffic environment
- Child passenger safety
- Pedestrian safety
- Bicycle safety



GRADES 6

## Cross This Way

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### This presentation

- ✓ This presentation:
- ✓ Depicts children and teens crossing New York City streets in realistic situations that may be risky.
- ✓ Engages students in analyzing the scenarios and thinking critically about safe decision-making.
- ✓ Provides classroom and follow-up activities that reinforce the safety tips developed by the students.
- ✓ Students receive a Cross This Way workbook with both classroom and follow-up activities to be conducted after the DOT presentation.

### Format

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### Topics

- Pedestrian safety
- Personal and environmental safety tools
- Decision making in the traffic environment to foster safer choices

## WORD on the STREET!

GRADES 6

## Word on the Street

**Word on the Street** uses audience response technology to engage 6th grade students via a **Zoom** class with a DOT safety educator to think about best safety practices in the traffic environment, as pedestrians, as bicyclists, and as motor vehicle passengers.

### This presentation

- ✓ Addresses the three most common traffic injury scenarios for pedestrians.
- ✓ Highlights driver behaviors that make each of the situations more high risk.
- ✓ Identifies special equipment that makes us all safer such as helmets and seatbelts.

### Format

This is a live single class remote presentation presented via a **Zoom** with a DOT safety educator featuring a PowerPoint enriched with KeyPoint Connect (a remote student-operated interactive audience response system) to promote participation and understanding of best practices in the traffic environment.

### Topics

- Pedestrian safety
- Personal and environmental safety tools
- Decision making in the traffic environment to foster safer choices



GRADES 6-8

## Vision Hero

**Vision Hero** uses a hands-on, web-based internet lesson with 6th-8th grade students to explore the guiding principles of NYC's Vision Zero traffic safety program as they increase their street smarts.

### This Presentation

- ✓ Teaches students what everyone should know about walking in the city.
- ✓ Introduces what every smart city biker should know about safety.
- ✓ Engages students to consider what every rider should know before getting into a car.
- ✓ Connects with social media applications to extend and reinforce lessons learned beyond the classroom.

### Format

This is a single class lesson available to teachers via **YouTube video** to post to Google Classroom or other remote presentation platform. A short follow-up quiz is available for teachers to measure student learning.

### Topics

- Pedestrian safety
- Bicycle safety
- Car passenger safety



GRADES 7-8

## Stop-Think-Act

**Stop-Think-Act** encourages 7th-8th grade students to make safer decision in the traffic environment using an interactive presentation highlighting issues of peer pressure.

### This presentation

- ✓ Encourages an exchange of ideas among the students as they discuss the consequences of their actions in the traffic environment.
- ✓ Engages with students to raise awareness of the real traffic dangers around their school and in their neighborhood.
- ✓ Outlines real-world scenarios and presents simple steps for making safer choices.

### Format

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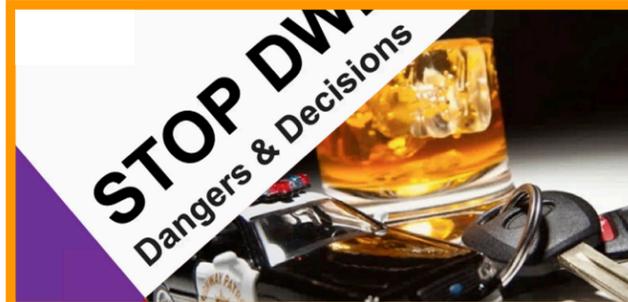
### Topic

- Distractions in the traffic environment
- Pedestrian safety
- Car passenger safety
- Driving while intoxicated



**Our current remote high school classes**

focus on travel in cars as this is the leading cause of injuries to high school youth in NYC. We realize that students are not allowed to operate vehicles alone until they are 18, but we know our teens may travel in cars with friends and extended family, even if their own families don't own a car. These classes discuss **making good decisions** and **risk avoidance** and are strongly recommended for your older students. Health teachers may find them particularly useful to bundle with the rest of their programming.



GRADES 9-12

## STOP DWI

**STOP DWI** engages 9th-12th grade students in a discussion with a DOT safety educator about the dangers of drinking and driving.

**This presentation**

- ✓ Outlines in detail the risks associated when mixing alcohol and vehicles.
- ✓ Recounts real-world scenarios and presents simple steps for making safer choices.
- ✓ Helps prevent future incidents by presenting simple steps to making safer choices.

**Format**

This is a live single class remote presentation presented via a **Zoom** class with a DOT safety educator featuring a PowerPoint enriched with KeyPoint Connect (a remote student-operated interactive audience response system) to help students better understand the effects of impairment and other dangers.

**Topics**

- Impairment by alcohol or other drugs
- Distracted driving and walking
- Car passenger safety
- Dangers of speeding



GRADES 11-12

## Behind the Wheel

**Behind the Wheel** introduces safety strategies to students in grades 11-12 who are preparing to drive or be in cars without adult supervision.

**This presentation**

- ✓ Depicts the impact traffic fatalities have on five NYC families with the "Drive Like Your Family Lives Here" video.
- ✓ Introduces strategies for drivers and awareness for pedestrians.
- ✓ Encourages students to formulate their own best advice to drivers on how they might avoid future pedestrian fatalities.

**Format**

This is a live single class remote interactive presentation via a **Zoom** class with a DOT safety educator featuring a video and discussion to promote safer driver behaviors. The session is followed with a short essay assignment for students to submit their own best advice to drivers to their DOE teacher after watching the video.

**Topics**

- Vision Zero Initiative
- Dangerous driving behaviors



GRADES 11-12

## Alive at 25

**Alive at 25** motivates young and soon-to-be drivers in grades 11-12 to understand the risks they face in the traffic environment, as they explore the consequences of dangerous driver behavior and adopt safe driver choices.

**This presentation**

- ✓ Reviews why young drivers 16 – 24 are at greater risk of being injured or killed in a vehicle crash.
- ✓ Engages students about the consequences of making poor judgments or taking unnecessary risks in a vehicle.
- ✓ Identifies actions and strategies students can take to keep control of a vehicle, whether they are a driver or a passenger.
- ✓ Motivates students to commit to making better driving choices and help their friends do the same.

**Format**

This is a four class period **in-school program** awarding **National Safety Council** certification to students who complete the course.

**Topics**

- Challenges and risks facing first-time drivers, ages 16-24.
- Choice theory
- Dangerous driver behavior and its consequences
- On-the-spot defensive driving techniques
- Positive and negative peer pressure