

MAY IS NATIONAL YOUTH TRAFFIC SAFETY MONTH

Car crashes is the number one causes of deaths among teens in the United States. Statistics show that summer months are the deadliest for teen drivers, so what do we do?

Start a conversation with your teen drivers on the importance of traffic safety

LEAD BY EXAMPLE – Don't speed, use your signal, and stay off of electronic devices (including but not limited to phones)

Speed kills. Simulate conversation about the effects of speeding and driving reckless

Driving drowsy is very dangerous. Explain these dangers and the importance of pulling over to nap or finding a hotel.

Talk about the dangers of driving at night. Many teens do not know the dangers about driving at night time (limited visibility, eyes focus differently, etc)

Driving impaired. This includes alcohol, prescription drugs, illegal drugs, or over the counter medication. Impaired driving affects many people's lives from crashes.

Distracted driving. Taking one's eyes off the road for a few seconds can be deadly. Don't let any text be your last.

In 2012 48% of crashes involving 16-19 year olds were single vehicle crashes.

Don't let your kid become a statistic; talk with them about the dangers of driving.

