



# Drivers Education

Community Education  
School Board Positive Happening  
Bill Loushine, Coordinator



The Community Education Driver Education Program is immensely popular and respected in our community. We believe in guiding students to become safe, responsible drivers in our community and beyond. We offer a progressive, up-to-date program.

Our six instructors are licensed K-12 educators who have additional licensure in Driver Education.

Driver Education is divided into two parts: classroom and behind the wheel. In September of 2009, Community Education began packaging the classroom and behind the wheel registration fees together. This packaging allows us to offer our program at a lower cost and service students in a more efficient manner.

The classroom portion of Driver Education consists of 30 hours of classroom instruction (10 three-hour classes) with a maximum of 24 students in each class. In 2010-2011 school year and summer, we offered 15 sessions of classroom Drivers Education and served 343 students. Fifteen classroom sessions will be offered this year (September 2011 through August 2012).

The behind the wheel portion of Driver Education consists of six hours of personalized instruction which includes all aspects required by the State of Minnesota. We are presently operating with two vehicles to offer a year-round behind the wheel program; after school, on weekends and during summer vacation. Students drive on a variety of road types including the freeway.

## Did you know...??

Our coordinator, Bill Loushine, has been a part of the Community Education Drivers Education Program for over 30 years.

In 1998, Community Education added another instructor (total of three instructors) to increase the number of students we are able to service in our summer behind the wheel program.

We purchased our first vehicle in August 2006. This has provided us the opportunity to offer a year-round behind the wheel program. We currently operate two vehicles.

If you have questions about our Drivers Education program, please contact Bill Loushine at [bloushine@flaschools.org](mailto:bloushine@flaschools.org).