

# 2021 – 2022 DRIVER EDUCATION INFORMATION SHEET

Please save for your records

## 1. Program and Instructor:

- The Driver's Education program is run by a private company called "STREETSMARTS".
- Students must have their learners permit one month prior to taking a class.
  - High School students will be given first priority in the available sessions.
- Each student must successfully complete the following to pass the course:
  - 30 hours of classroom instruction and successfully complete ALL classroom assignments.
    - Since Covid, classroom instruction has been moved to online format.
  - 6 behind the wheel lessons and pass the Final Driving Test.
- Jim Pankow is the instructor and can be reached by email or phone. [jim.pankow@decorah.k12.ia.us](mailto:jim.pankow@decorah.k12.ia.us) or 563-382-3643, ext. 1208.

## 2. Cost:

- The full fee was \$355 for the 2021-2022 school year.
  - If a student qualifies for reduced lunch, the Driver's Ed fee is reduced to \$55.69.
  - If a student qualifies for free lunch, the Driver's Ed fee is free.
  - Decorah Schools will not supplement the program more than one time per student.
  - Checks can be made payable to Decorah Community Schools.
  - Fee is due by the first day of class or the student cannot attend.

## 3. Classroom phase:

- Since Covid, classroom instruction has been moved to online format.
- Street Smarts will send online class information to the student by email.
- The student will then create an account and begin the online portion of the class.
- The student has 45 days to complete the class from the time the account is created.

## 4. Driving phase:

- 6 drive times are scheduled outside of class time through a shared Google Doc with the students.
  - These will be after school and on weekends.
- Missed driving lessons will be made up when time can be found in the driving schedule.
  - There is a \$30 charge per lesson missed. The ONLY exception to the \$30.00 charge will be emergency situations.
  - You must notify Mr. Pankow as soon as possible if you are going to miss a lesson.
- Student must have their learner's permit with them each time they drive or they will not be allowed to drive.

## 5. Moving Violations:

- The student will be dropped from the program if they receive any type of moving violation during the session they are taking driver education.

6. Certificates of Completion will be on file electronically at the Winneshiek County Treasurer's Office once the student has COMPLETED all of the obligations above.

