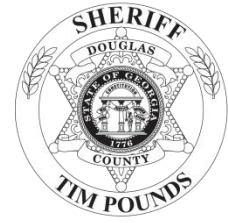




# Douglas County Sheriff's Office

## C.A.R.E. Teen Driving Program

(Combined Accident Reduction Efforts)



The C.A.R.E. program is a **FREE** service to Douglas County Residents. Our program is taught by certified Douglas County Sheriff's Office Deputies and is designed to provide teen drivers not only with the skills required to obtain a driver's license but skills that they need to be safer, more successful drivers. The CARE Program does **NOT** satisfy the requirements for Joshua's Law however the instruction received will be more valuable to drivers in real life driving situations.

**PARENT TRAINING** (4 hours) Beginning the program is easy! Parent completes an application for a 4-hour block of instruction on Teenage Driver Training. Training is conducted over a two-night period at the Douglas County Sheriff's Office Training Facility by the DCSO Training Staff. Parents attending will receive a handbook and instruction on proper safe driving techniques, parent/teenager contract, vehicle inspection checklist and a driving log. **PARENTS MUST ATTEND BOTH SESSIONS.**

### STUDENT TRAINING

(Classes are scheduled around the Douglas County School System's Holidays / Breaks)

**PHASE 1** (60 hours) **Parent/teenager practical driving:** Parents are encouraged to have their child participate in a wide variety of weather conditions and driving situations, including night driving. (This is where the driving log is used.)

**PHASE 2** (6 hours) **National Safety Council Defensive Driving Course:** This is the only block of instruction not taught by the DCSO staff. Parent should contact the Douglas County Courthouse Personnel Office, located on the ground floor of the courthouse at 8700 Hospital Drive to schedule this 6-hour classroom training. Applications accepted 8:30am – 4:30pm, Monday through Friday, or you may email Merrie Miller at [mdmiller@co.douglas.ga.us](mailto:mdmiller@co.douglas.ga.us) and she will send you the application and informational memo. **A COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE MUST BE PROVIDED TO DOUGLAS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE FOR STUDENT CREDIT.**

**PHASE 3** (8 hours) **Classroom training for the teenager:** A member of the DCSO training staff will lecture on Georgia Traffic Laws, D.U.I. Laws, Accident Avoidance Techniques, and dealing with Road Rage. This training will be broken down into two sessions to be conducted at the DCSO training facility.

**PHASE 4** (2 hours) **Driver Simulator Training:** *Teens will be put behind the wheel of a state of the art driving simulator that is capable of over 80 driving scenarios.* The student will experience different lighting, weather, and traffic conditions, including off-road recovery. The student will also practice accident avoidance techniques.

**PHASE 5** (4 hours) **Low-speed Skid Car and Precision Skill:** Students will get behind the wheel with a DCSO driving instructor, who will provide hands-on training in Avoiding Skids, Off Road Recovery, Parallel Parking, Precision Skills, Braking, Accelerating, and Accident Avoidance Maneuvers, through driving the Skid Car and a Precision Cone Course. **TEEN DRIVERS WILL BE ASKED TO PRODUCE LERNERS or DRIVERS LICENSE BEFORE THIS TRAINING BEGINS and SHOULD BE FAMILIAR AND COMFORTABLE WITH THE GENERAL RULES AND MECHANICS OF DRIVING.** At the end of the program the parent will complete an open road driving evaluation on the strengths and weaknesses of their teen's driving skills.

**General Information and Scheduling: Sgt. Donna Morris (770) 920-3924 or**  
**[dmorris@sheriff.douglas.ga.us](mailto:dmorris@sheriff.douglas.ga.us)**

Application for the C.A.R.E. Teen Driving Program  
(The application must be completed by parent/guardian)

**Please Print Clearly and Provide All Information**

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(City) (State) (Zip) (County)

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Additional Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
(If an email address is provided, you will be notified of classes by email).

Name of Teen Driver #1: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_  Male  Female

High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Have Driver's/Learner's Permit  Yes  No

Name of Teen Driver #2 \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_  Male  Female

High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Have Driver's/Learner's Permit  Yes  No

**NOTE: Teen Driver must be 15 – 18 years of age and still attending High School.**

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Parent notified on: \_\_\_\_\_ By:  Mail  E-mail  Phone

Date of Parent Training Class: \_\_\_\_\_ Confirmation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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