



TEEN DRIVER SAFETY EVENTS

Distracted Driving Simulator Tour



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DISTRACTED DRIVING AWARENESS ACTIVITIES

Distracted Driving Simulator

The Distracted Driving Simulator provides a hands-on educational experience for young drivers. Using virtual reality software, participants operate a stationary vehicle under various conditions including texting-while-driving, impaired driving and hazardous road conditions. Participants learn how one momentary, bad decision behind the wheel can cause tragedy.



Traffic Stop Simulation

Getting pulled over by a police officer can be scary, especially for inexperienced drivers. Local law enforcement officers will conduct a standard traffic stop to show students how to prepare and how they should react during a stop.

Golf Cart Cone Course with Fatal Vision Goggles

Fatal Vision Goggles give participants a safe way to learn that alcohol dramatically impairs a person's balance, vision, reaction time, and judgment. While navigating a golf cart through a cone course wearing fatal vision goggles, students will learn that driving a vehicle and making split-second decisions become much more difficult under the influence of alcohol.

What We Bring

We'll bring all of the activities and materials needed to run the event!

- Distracted Driving Simulator, golf cart & cone course, fatal vision goggles
- 5-7 SCNSC Staff, State Farm Volunteers and Law Enforcement Officers
- Tents, tables and chairs
- Prizes for students

What Schools Provide **PROGRAM COST: ~~\$3,500~~ FREE!**

- Paved or flat area the size of a basketball court with access for two vehicles and a trailer
- Standard power outlet or drop cord

Student Schedule

- Groups of 25-40 students for 1 - 1.5 hours at a time
- Prefer students age 15-18 who may have a license or permit
- Staff member(s) to escort students to and from the event



*Thanks to our event sponsors at State Farm, this program is **FREE** for participating high schools!*

Community Need

Car crashes are the number one killer of teens in South Carolina today, surpassing suicide and drug overdose combined. The most vulnerable time for young drivers is the first year after receiving their driver's license, as inexperience behind the wheel is a major contributing factor to these incidents. According to the Centers for Disease Control, the fatal crash rate per mile driven for 16-17 year-olds is about **three times** the rate for drivers 20 and older. Distracted driving is a crisis across South Carolina, and teen drivers are some of the most susceptible to its dangers. In the face of so many distractions, driving responsibly is not just important—it very well could be lifesaving.



About Us

The National Safety Council Southeastern Chapter (SCNSC) is a nonprofit organization, serving the states of South Carolina and Georgia. Our mission is to promote change to eliminate preventable injuries, death and loss in the communities we serve.

SCNSC, along with our sponsors at State Farm, have accepted the challenge to reverse the trend of teen driver fatalities. SCNSC and State Farm will host the Distracted Driving Simulator program for FREE to a select number of high schools. The purpose of the program is to educate young drivers to adopt safer driving practices, take responsibility for their behavior in various driving situations, and to be aware of peer pressure, environmental distractions and driving hazards in general.

“ On behalf of Clover High School and the Driver Education program I would just like to tell you again how thankful we are for being chosen to participate in last week's "Distracted Driving Simulator" event. Your efforts provided our students with an event that was not only entertaining but one that brought to their attention all the things that will challenge their experiences as a driver on our highways. Thanks again for making a difference in the lives of our students. ”

- Jay Moss, Clover High School