

VADETS

[ONLINE CLASSROOM DRIVER EDUCATION COURSE](#)

The Virginia Association of Driver Education and Traffic Safety (VADETS) has developed an online classroom driver education course. This online course mirrors the content of the Curriculum Guide for Driver Education in Virginia and is designed to serve as an alternative classroom driver education course for home school and some private school and public school students.

This course is not intended to replace the driver education unit of study taught in HPE-10. Students need to understand that if they are older ninth graders and have taken and successfully completed the online course, they will still need to take the HPE-10 driver education course to earn the HPE credit of a Virginia high school diploma.

The cost of the online course is \$109. The class is monitored by Virginia licensed driver education teachers. Upon successful completion of the course, you will receive a classroom completion certificate (DEC-1). This certificate will allow you to enroll in a public, private or commercial school behind-the-wheel driver education program.

For more information about the VADETS online course or to register for the VADETS online course, please visit their web site at www.vadriveredu.org. Read all instructions carefully to help guide you through the registration process.

No private, home school, or public school students may register for this course without prior approval from your parents and the school principal. Parents approved to home school may register their children for the course. Eighteen year olds do not require school or parent permission to enroll. Students are eligible if they:

- have failed classroom driver education;
- have transferred from another school and need classroom driver education;
- have no endorsed driver education teacher in their school;
- take driver education as an elective in their school;
- are homebound;
- are old enough to get a permit but are not in the 10th grade; and
- are home-schooled.

There are separate permission forms for home school, private school and public school students. Click on the "Account Registration" link at the top of the online course home page and then click on the "I Agree" button at the bottom of this page. The permission forms are located at the bottom of the student registration form. You can download the forms without filling in the student registration section if you wish.

To be eligible for a 180-Day Temporary Provisional Driver's License, you will not only need to successfully complete this course but you will also have to:

- complete an in-car course and pass a road skills evaluation;
- be at least 16 years and 3 months old;
- hold your learner's permit for 9 months; and
- drive 45 hours with a parent or guardian (15 of which must be after sunset).

A 45-hour parent/teen driving guide was developed by the Virginia Department of Education to help your parents with this very important task. If you are unable to obtain a 45-hour parent/teen guide at your school and you would like your teacher to mail you a copy, e-mail your teacher and let him/her know.