



Idaho



ONLINE Driver Education

Out of the Dark Ages and into the 21st Century

Idaho Law Requires a “Distance Learning” option.

- Idaho Statute §33-1702 provides for a **home correspondence course for the classroom portion only**.
- This has not been promoted because the quality of our mail-in paper course is not very good and the practice of not having a teacher involved is unacceptable.
- Primarily special needs or home-schooled students have requested it – and only a few have ever done it this way in Idaho.



IDLA

Idaho Digital Learning Academy

87% of Idaho public school districts use IDLA to help students catch up or recover credits. IDLA is a 100% online course, designed by state teachers, high school course offered for credit.



IDLA and Idaho Driver Education

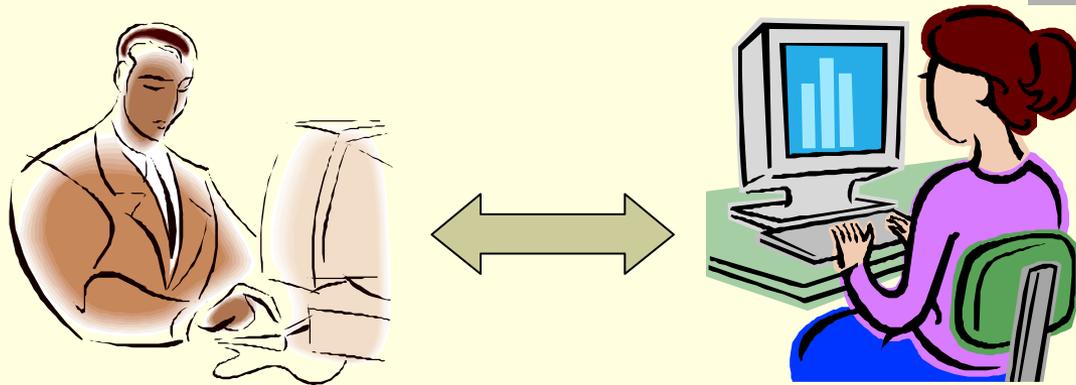
- In 2006, IDLA partnered with the Idaho State Department of Education to offer the classroom portion of Driver Education online.
 - Meets our requirement of offering a distance learning option.
 - Students work through the same curriculum as all Idaho Driver Education classes.
 - Students find a local in-car instructor who will contract with the local high school to provide the in-car instruction.
 - Communication is the key to success!
 - Classroom and in-car lessons must be done at the same time.
 - IDLA provides certified Driver Education instructors who are online every day with the students.

Is Online Education Just a Trend?

NO!

- Over 1,000,000 students across the U.S. are currently taking online courses!
- 38 states have e-learning initiatives.
- 25 states have state-supported virtual schools.
- 173 virtual charter schools exist.
- In April, 2006 Michigan became the first state to **require** an online learning experience to graduate high school.
- Entire higher ed. programs can be taken online at the best universities all over the country, including masters and doctorate programs.

A *Quality* Online Program



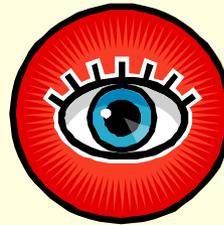
- The most important part of a quality online class, Driver Education or otherwise, is an *active participating online instructor*.
- **Anyone can put curriculum online, but it's the certified instructor's guidance and feedback that makes the difference.**

How does the online Driver Ed. course help Idaho students?

Every student in the class has a voice – there is no “back row” where students can hide. They all speak up and share their thoughts and ideas and interact with one another and the instructor.

With an online course, students can remain in sports or music programs after school AND take Driver Education. The class is asynchronous, meaning it goes on 24/7; it has weekly deadlines but no set hours.

What does it look like?



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The Future of Education

Posted by: Valerie Doherty

How do you think education will look in the year 2020?



We are interested in hearing what today's students think the future classroom will be. Please take a moment and email your vision to dvakili@idahodigitallearning.org.

Sun, Oct 15, 2006 -- Introduction

Posted by: Mr. Johns

IDLA offers a strong, standards-based Driver Education program available to all students in the state of Idaho. This course lasts nine weeks (plus a week for the final exam) instead of the traditional six, yet it is *still* difficult to get all the required coursework in. We don't pick and choose from the state's stringent curriculum, we teach it all! Our students complete the work in all ten of the state's approved Driver's Education units and all twenty of its modules.

Driver's Education online? You bet. At IDLA, classroom information and activities are individualized and every student gets the opportunity to have a voice.

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UNIT 4: Intersections, Lane Changes, Passing, Turnabouts, and Parking

UNIT 4 SCHEDULE AND CHECKLIST

This *suggested* schedule will help keep you on track during the week:

Weekend	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ___ View Mixing With Traffic 1 and Mixing With Traffic 2 slideshows and take notes. ___ Read "Estimating Passing Gaps," "Right of Way," and "Mixing With Traffic"
Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ___ Read "Rail Grade Signs" and "Railroad Safety" ___ U4A1: Railroad Crossing Safety (30 points)
Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ___ Read "Parking Laws" ___ U4A2: Parking on Hills (20 points) ___ U4A3: Types of Parking Game (40 points)
Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ___ View the Turnabouts slideshow and take notes ___ Read "Turnabouts" ___ Listen to the <i>Passing and Lane Changes</i> Audio ___ U4DB5: Stump Your Classmates (25 points)
Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ___ Read "Orderly Visual Search Pattern in Intersections" ___ U4A4: Where do I stop at the Intersection? (24 points) ___ U4A6: Intersection Observation (50 points)
Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ___ U4T7: Unit 4 Test (50 points)

[Unit 4 Readings](#)

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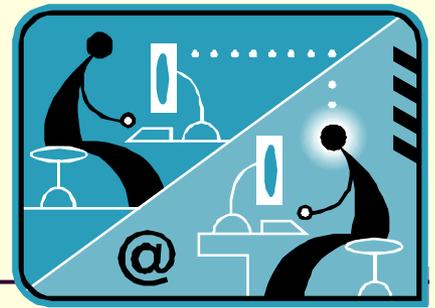
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What's Next in Idaho?



- Our Driver Education Certification Course goes online January 1st.
- Taught by the state director.
- Teachers earn 4 university credits.
- Uses a mentoring program to partner new instructors with experienced instructors: 3 classroom observations, 3 classroom student teaching experiences, and 3 in-car observations.



That's all Folks!

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