



The North Dakota Driver and Traffic Safety Education Association is a professional organization for driver and traffic safety educators that promotes safe habits, attitudes, knowledge and instructional tools to develop driving skills for teen drivers.

Conference Summary

The annual NDDTSEA Conference was a success this year. As usual the pre-conference on the Playbook was well attended this year by both new and returning instructors. The conference kicked off on Thursday evening and continued till Saturday afternoon. Each session was well attended by the attendees.

As you may have seen by the sessions Impaired Driving—Drugs was on the agenda a couple of times. With the legalization of medical marijuana it is important that the schools understand the liability that could arise with a student coming to class/behind the wheel with marijuana in their system. Another important session that was well received is the Online Playbook through NDCDE. This is something that you need to review and discuss with your Administrator if this is something you would like to do next year. And of course we all learn something from every session that is offered.

We will start the planning session this fall for 2018 annual conference. If you have any suggestions of topic and/or speaker please share with me so we can look into it.

Behind-the-Wheel

Please share with your parents an app called Road Ready. This will help parents keep track of the hours they need to spend with their teen and what type of road and weather conditions they drove on <http://www.nddtsea.org/roadready/>

NDDTSEA—Business Meetin

Becky Hardy was voted into the President-Elect position for two years and she will become President when my term is up in 2019.

Dale Ludwig was selected as the Teacher of Year award in North Dakota.

Casey Mack—Mandan, was selected for the Cal Lundberg Scholarship Award.

Bob Green will continue as the NE Region Representative and Dave Erickson will serve as the SW Region Representative.

As we continue to grow this conference and organization we may ask you to step up and assist with a committee or send us your suggestions. Please consider our requests as we can only grow as much as the membership will allow.

I hope that you have a safe Driver's Ed. session. Thank you for those that volunteered to be part of a research committee. I will be in contact with you soon.

You can only drive as fast as the car in front of you.

Jim Keller, President