

**TEEN AMBASSADOR PROGRAM**

# Promoting Safe Driving Behavior

Welcome to the SafeLIGHT Foundation! We are excited about our partnership with your municipality and school. The Teen Ambassador Program is a collaboration with the school and parents. The SafeLIGHT Foundation is a nonprofit organization committed to promoting safe driving behavior through charitable giving to traffic safety programs and people and organizations that support responsible driving.

The Teen Ambassador Program provides continuing education about safe driving behavior for teens recently receiving driver’s licenses. It was created in response to the serious national issue of teen fatalities and injuries from traffic crashes.

To successfully graduate from the program, each participant must sign a driving agreement and adhere to the SafeLIGHT Foundation’s rules and regulations on safe driving behavior. In addition to developing and practicing safe driving skills, each teen will serve as a Teen Ambassador within their high school communities by sharing information on the importance of safe driving and encouraging others in their schools to drive responsibly. Teen Ambassadors will also help develop awareness campaigns tied to seasonal events such as prom, back to school, and Teen Driving Awareness Week. At the end of a successful program, students will receive a $2500 scholarship supporting their higher education pursuits.

You can find more information about the program, including eligibility requirements, on our website a[t www.safelightfoundation.com](http://www.safelightfoundation.com/) under the Teen Ambassador Program.

**Program Eligibility**

* Applicant must be in 10th, 11th or 12th grade
* Applicant must have a valid driver's license with a clean driving record (no speeding tickets, red light violations, or DUI violations)
* Applicant must pass the Foundation's traffic safety examination in conjunction with the Illinois Secretary of State's office
* Applicant cannot have caused any traffic accidents or have been arrested
* Applicant must have and maintain a minimum GPA of 2.5
* Applicant must submit copies of their transcript, school ID, and driver's education certificate of completion and/or driver’s license
* Application will be rejected if false information is submitted

**Yvonne Davila** Executive Director

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# TEEN AMBASSADOR PROGRAM APPLICATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code

Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Career Goal: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

You must **submit an essay (250-300 words)** **about driver safety's importance that includes** the following information.

1. What does driver safety mean to you?
2. What can be done to make roads safer for pedestrians, cyclists, and motorists?
3. Driving is a privilege - what responsibilities come with the privilege of driving?
4. How can you share information about teen driver safety with your peers and community?
5. As a teen driver, what can you do to make roads safer for all?

**Insert Essay:**

**The Teen Ambassador Program is a collaboration with the schools and parents.**

Application and essay must be emailed to:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Dept/Title: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Deadline to email or drop off: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Drop off location (optional): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Additional information: (optional) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**SafeLIGHT Foundation Contact:**

Selected applicants will be contacted by

**SafeLIGHT Foundation Yvonne Davila, Executive Director**

with additional instructions.

For additional information about the SafeLIGHT Foundation contact

312-863-2500 or email yvonnedavila@safelightfoundation.com

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