Road safety education in NSW public schools P-12

Through a <u>whole-school approach</u> the NSW Department of Education aims to empower children and young people to be safer road users now and into the future.

Schools are supported in realising this aim through the department's <u>Road Safety</u> <u>Education Program.</u>

The Road Safety Education Program team work directly with teachers to:

- build their capacity to deliver best practice road safety and localised quality teaching and learning
- facilitate accredited professional learning for primary and secondary teachers
- assist schools to grow a culture of safe road use in the school community
- support principals to address and manage road safety issues in and around their school.

The team:

- doesn't deliver presentations to students.
 - Instead, we work with teachers to design, develop and deliver their own quality learning experiences to best meet the needs of their students.
- does recognise teachers as the expert educators of their students, and so encourages them to not engage stand alone, <u>one-off externally delivered</u> <u>events/guest speakers or programs</u>

Instead, we advise teachers to:

- critically review services offered by external road safety providers
- develop and deliver their own pre and post-event teaching and learning activities, if they choose to engage the external provider.

Managing safety around schools

Schools are not responsible for managing traffic around schools, e.g. kiss and drop, no parking, no stopping and bus zones, illegal parking, speeding.

Road safety issues around schools are managed by state and local agencies. Schools work closely with these agencies to promote safe road use in the school traffic environment:

Transport for NSW, Local councils, NSW Police



