



RYDA Sessions

Setting the course for a safer future

In small groups, students take part in six interactive workshops.

- **SPEED & STOPPING** On a closed section of roadway, students experience the relationship between speed and stopping distance through practical observation. Students also learn about the importance of car safety features and maintenance.
- **DRIVE S.O.S.** Using role plays and engaging activities, students look at the road from the perspective of other road users (including heavy vehicles and cyclists), gaining an understanding of their challenges and learning how to "Drive So Others Survive".
- **THE 'I' IN DRIVE** A reflective session designed to show students how their personality is an important aspect of the total road safety equation. Students self-assess against five personality areas and use this tool to analyse risky situations in cars.
- **ROAD CHOICES** A discussion, routinely led by a Police Officer on key risk areas for young drivers and passengers. Features high impact videos on decision-making and choices.
- **CRASH INVESTIGATORS** A unique opportunity for students to speak to a crash survivor about the event that changed their life. Forming an interview panel, students investigate crash factors, comparing them against the Safe System approach.
- **GENEVIEVE'S STORY** A true story about a young driver and passenger involved in a road crash. Drawing from the story, students analyse factors including mood, impulse and planning and develop strategies for decision making in risky situations.

Road Safety Education Limited is the leading provider of road safety education for youth in New Zealand. The flagship **RYDA Programme** is delivered each year to over 50,000 senior high school students from more than 650 participating schools across Australia and New Zealand.

At RYDA, students attend six interactive sessions at a dedicated venue over the course of a school day. In small peer groups, they are challenged to change the way they think about road safety; participating in a stopping distance demonstration, devising personalised strategies, gaining an understanding of their individual risk profile, leading an investigation into a real life crash and getting tips from road safety experts on how to protect themselves, their friends and family.

RYDA gives students critical information and strategies that do not come from driving lessons. It's a resource which gives students an authentic context for learning about road safety outside of a classroom.

By participating in RYDA, schools further their commitment to educating the 'whole student', providing a unique opportunity to learn essential life skills as they face the challenges of driving solo or as an influential passenger of a novice driver.

Now is the time to equip young people with the tools and knowledge they need to stay safe on the road.

For further information, contact 0800 150 180 or visit rse.org.nz.

Our website is loaded with resources for teachers, students and parents. Also find us on Facebook (facebook.com/RYDAroadsafety) and Instagram (@RYDAroadsafety)

IT'S NOT ENOUGH TO TEACH A YOUNG PERSON THE SKILL OF CONTROLLING AND MANOEUVRING A VEHICLE

WE MUST BALANCE THIS WITH THE SKILL OF CRITICAL THINKING AND AN APPRECIATION FOR SAFETY ON THE ROAD

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