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Contests aim to Put the Brakes on Fatalities

Students and school/class/booster club can win prizes

Poster and video contests where Kansas students can win great prizes and learn about traffic safety are back as part of this year's Put the Brakes on Fatalities Day safety campaign.

In addition, the school, class or booster club of the grand prize-winning students will also receive money as part of the contests' prizes.

Poster contest: For Kansas students ages 5 to 13 - all students who submit completed poster entries will be eligible for a random prize drawing of a \$100 Amazon gift card. A total of 18 regional winners in the six regions and age groups (ages 5-7, ages 8-10 and ages 11-13) will receive a bicycle from the Kansas Turnpike Authority and a helmet from Safe Kids Kansas. Three statewide winners will each receive:

- ♦Kindle Fire Tablet and case from the KTA;
- ♦\$50 Amazon gift card from Fuel True/Independent Energy and Convenience;
- ♦Movie passes from AAA Kansas; and
- ♦\$200 for the school, class or the booster club.

Poster entries must be postmarked by Friday, Sept. 24. Information and entry forms are available [here](#).

Video contest: For Kansas teens in grades 8-12. Prizes from the KTA include a GoPro, a DJI Stabilizer and a DJI Drone, and the grand prize winner's school, class or booster club will receive \$500. Video entries must be submitted to the KTA by 11:59 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 26. Entry details are available [here](#).

About 37,000 people die in traffic crashes each year across the United States. That's nearly 101 fatalities every day. Let's encourage everyone – drivers, passengers, pedestrians and cyclists – to exercise caution every day and Put the Brakes on Fatalities.

The Kansas Department of Transportation, KTA and other transportation organizations in Kansas are sponsoring the contests. More information about Put the Brakes on Fatalities Day is available [here](#).

Winners from the 2019 contests are listed below:

Poster Contest Winners -

Northeast Kansas - Ella Kate Schuyler, **Lawrence**; Emma Kuhlman, **Topeka**; Paiton Wallace, **Basehor**

North central Kansas - Quincy Coup, **Hope**; Grayson Koenig, **McPherson**; Hannah Simmelink, **Esbon**

Northwest Kansas - Colt Raudis, **Hays**; Jerome Bieghler, **Phillipsburg**; Peyton Gower, **Phillipsburg**

Southeast Kansas - Harper Frasier, **Galena**; Hannah Noel, **Columbus**; Faith Godsell, **McCune**

South central Kansas - Avery Hutson, **El Dorado**; Cade Brown, **Andale**, Von Woleslagel, **Hutchinson**

Southwest Kansas - Andelyn Reimer, **Meade**; Mary Paris, **Dighton**; Teaghen Elledge, **Spearville**

2019 Video Contest winners –

Students from Lansing High School won first place.

Students from Eudora captured second place.

Shawnee Mission West High School placed third.

View the winning videos [here](#).

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