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Kansas kids win poster/video contests, focus on improving traffic safety



Statewide winners of two contests have been announced as part of the national safety campaign Put the Brakes on Fatalities Day.

FOR THE POSTER CONTEST – Annika Mick of Manhattan (left), Emma Kuhlman of Topeka (lower left) and Raynee Eddy of Inman (lower right) are the statewide winners. Each student was selected as a regional winner and will receive a bicycle donated by the Kansas Turnpike Authority and a helmet donated





by Safe Kids Kansas. A total of 638 Kansas kids ages 5 to 13 participated.

As statewide winners in their age categories, they will also receive a Kindle Fire tablet from the KTA, a \$50 gift card from the Fuel True/Independent

Energy and Convenience and movie passes from AAA Kansas. In addition to these prizes, the student's school, class or booster club will receive \$200.

FOR THE VIDEO CONTEST – Students from St. John – Hudson Tigers USD 350 won first place. They will receive first choice of a GoPro, a DJI Stabilizer and a DJI Drone, and the grand prize winner's school, class or booster club will receive \$500.

Two groups of students from Eudora Schools captured second and third place in the video contest. Each will receive one of the remaining prizes listed above. There was a total of 33 entries from teens across the state. To see the winning videos, click <u>HERE</u>.

Organizations that work together on this safety campaign include the Kansas Department of Transportation, Kansas Turnpike Authority, Kansas Highway Patrol, Kansas Traffic Safety Resource Office, AAA of Kansas, Kansas Contractors Association and the Federal Highway Administration – Kansas division.

Put the Brakes on Fatalities Day is a nationwide effort to increase roadway safety and reduce all traffic fatalities. For more information, click <u>HERE</u> for KDOT's Put the Brakes on Fatalities Day website.

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