



Ouachita Driving Academy

Driver's Education

Tips for Selecting the Right Driver's Ed Program

Choosing a top-quality Driver's Education program is one of the most important decisions you will make for your teen's safety. So critical, in fact, that the *Wall Street Journal Online* declared the decision to be "as important as college."

The following tips will help you know what to look for as you shop for a program that's the perfect fit for your family.

- Training Hours** Does the program guarantee that the student will receive the full 38 hours of training required by the State of Louisiana?
- Driving Hours** Does the school provide the state-recommended eight hours or more of behind-the-wheel training? Generally speaking, the more hands-on experience, the better.
- Equipment** Does the school utilize well-maintained, late-model cars for the behind-the-wheel portion of the training?
- Insurance** Does the school carry the full amount of car insurance that the state requires? Ask to verify that their policy is for both collision and bodily injury.
- Curriculum** Does the program offer a state-approved curriculum that is up-to-date with the latest safety information?
- Cost** Does the cost seem comparable to other schools in your area? If the cost is significantly lower than other local programs, be wary of where the school may have "cut corners" and how that may impact the quality of the training.
- Staff** Does the school staff exemplify the professionalism and warmth you want for your teen's learning experience? If possible, meet with the management or staff members in person to get a feel for the type of educators are teaching at the school.

At ODA, we're confident that once you compare, you'll agree we offer the best value with the highest emphasis on safety of any school in Ouachita Parish!

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