

Hamilton County Ohio

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Administrative Judge Kari L. Bloom
Hamilton County Juvenile Court
800 Broadway
Cincinnati, OH 45202

Dear Parent/Guardian,

You are receiving this letter because your child meets the eligibility requirements for enrollment in the **Hamilton County Juvenile Court Traffic Diversion Program**. The goal of the program is to promote safe driving practices by providing additional education on traffic laws and safe driving behaviors.

In order to enroll in the diversion program you and your child **must appear** in Juvenile Court at the time and date specified on your hearing notification. Attached are copies of the Traffic Diversion enrollment forms that must be signed if you elect to enter the diversion program.

If you successfully complete the Traffic Diversion Program, the charge against you will be dismissed, you will not be adjudicated a traffic offender, and points will not be assessed to your BMV driving record.

Involvement in the program is completely voluntary; if you wish to opt out of the program please contact the Juvenile Court Traffic Clerk prior to the date specified on your notification to schedule a non-diversion plea hearing: **513-946-9420**.

If you have any questions specifically regarding the Traffic Diversion Program, please contact the Hamilton County Prosecutor's Office, Juvenile Diversion Coordinator: **513-946-3154**.

Hamilton County Juvenile Traffic Diversion

Once the diversion agreement is accepted, court will schedule a final 180 day diversion review hearing: **PRESENCE IS WAIVED** for this hearing as long as diversion requirements are met.

- 180 day requirement: \$200 Diversion fee is due.

- Mail check or money order made out to: **Hamilton County Juvenile Court**

Please include Name/Case number and send to:

Costs and Fines

800 Broadway

Cincinnati, OH 45202

- OR Pay in person at Juvenile Court.

- 180 day requirement: Remedial course completion.

- The remedial course is scheduled/completed on your own time. You are responsible for submitting the certificate of completion to Caitlin Deters:

Scan/Email: Caitlin.Deters@hcpros.org

- 180 day requirement: No new charges.

- You must not receive any new charges during your diversion period. We run a final record check (this includes any traffic moving violations, delinquency, adult, or out of county offenses)

If you fail to comply with any of the diversion requirements you must appear at your **final 180 day review date. The diversion dismissal entry will be mailed to you after the final 180 day review date. If you have any questions about diversion please contact:*

Caitlin Deters
Juvenile Diversion Coordinator
Hamilton County Prosecutor's Office
230 East 9th Street, Suite 4000
Cincinnati, OH 45202
513-946-3154

EDUCATIONAL DRIVING COURSES

All programs contained on this page charge a fee. The cost of the program is yours to pay and is separate and in addition to the Diversion Fee paid through the Court. You will need to verify the cost with the program you choose.

Programs are normally a 1(one) day educational course around 6 hours by appointment and should cost no more than \$125.00.

AAAA International Driving School
9403 Kenwood Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45242
(513) 791-4400

AAAA International Driving School
1172 W. Galbraith Road Suite 101, Cincinnati, Ohio 45231
(513) 931-2000

Bick's Driving School, Inc.
3235 West Galbraith Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45239
(513) 931-6200

Bob Shropshire Sons
806 Main Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202
(513) 721-3915

"Driving Angels" Colerain Twp PD
4200 Springdale Road, Colerain Twp, Ohio 45251
(513) 321-2677

Drive-Rite School, LLC
10979 Reed Hartman Highway Suite 332, Cincinnati, Ohio 45242
(513) 939-1222

KMR Driving School, LLC
10966 Hamilton Ave, Cincinnati, Ohio 45231
(513) 674-1200

**Hamilton County Juvenile Court Diversion Program
Traffic Ticket**

The prosecutor has reviewed your case and has found it to be diversion eligible. The Magistrate will decide whether you can be admitted into the Court's Diversion Program. The Diversion Program will allow you to take a Driver's Education Course, avoid adjudication on your ticket, and no record of adjudication will be sent to the Bureau of Motor Vehicles.

If you are placed in Diversion, you must successfully complete all of the terms and conditions of the program, and your ticket will be dismissed:

1. You must have no prior traffic adjudications (or pending tickets) anywhere in the United States. (If you have a prior ticket, tell the prosecutor and the Court. You may still be eligible for Diversion).
2. You must admit to this offense.
3. Your case will remain open for the next 180 days. You must not receive any new convictions during this time (this includes any out of county or adult convictions).
4. You must pay a non-refundable Diversion Program fee of \$200 by your final 180 day diversion hearing (to be set in court).
5. You must complete an approved remedial driving course by your final 180 day diversion hearing. The programs have a fee in addition to the fee listed above.
6. By entering this program, you will be waiving your rights:
 - a. to remain silent
 - b. to cross-examine the state's witnesses
 - c. to subpoena witnesses to court on your own behalf
 - d. to have a trial where the state would need to prove the case beyond a reasonable doubt

If you fail to comply with the conditions of the Program, adjudication will be entered and the Magistrate will proceed to disposition, which can include fines, costs, and license suspension.

I have read the information above and I agree to participate in the Diversion Program. I voluntarily and knowingly waive the rights stated above.

Juvenile

Date

I am the parent or guardian of the above-named juvenile. I consent to the juvenile participating in the diversion program, and I consent to the waiver of rights.

Parent or guardian

Date

Case number: _____

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