Traffic Safety Program

The Traffic Safety Program is a four-hour National Safety Council Course offered by Richland Community College. It is designed to improve your traffic skills, decrease the possibility of future traffic violations, and reduce the chance that you or someone else may be killed or injured in a traffic accident. The program allows you to request court supervision without going to court.

How The Program Works

If you are eligible for the Traffic Safety Program and you choose this option, you must return your traffic ticket and fine, your Plea of Guilty, and your Traffic Safety Program registration and fee to the circuit clerk's office. The circuit clerk will forward your registration to Richland Community College. The College will notify you of the date, time and location of your assigned class.

You will then attend a one-time, four-hour class on defensive driving. Note: You must successfully **complete** the Traffic Safety Program within **180 days** from the date of your violation. The traffic Safety Program will report to the court when you have successfully completed the class.

If you complete the Traffic Safety Program within the specified time and receive no additional tickets within your court supervision period, you do not have to appear in court, the charge against you will be dismissed, and no conviction will be entered on your driving record.

If you have questions on the law, and feel you need legal advice, call an attorney. Legal advice will not be given by the office of the circuit clerk, the police department issuing the ticket, or Richland Community College.

Read This Notice Carefully You May Be Able To Avoid Going To Court.

You have three options in which to dispose of your ticket (For options 1 and 2 follow the directions on the ticket.):

- Plead guilty and pay the fine, by mail or in person, without going to court. (A conviction will be entered on your driving record.)
- 2. Plead not guilty and request a trial
- 3. Request the Traffic Safety Program and court supervision. If you are eligible and choose this option, you will: plead guilty, request court supervision, and complete the traffic Safety Program without going to court. If you complete the Traffic Safety Program within the designated time and receive no additional tickets during your supervision period, you do not have to appear in court and the charge against you and the conviction will not be entered on your driving record.

Read this entire document to see if you qualify for option 3 above.

Read This If You Want to Request Court Supervision Without Going To Court.

You Can Avoid Going To Court and Apply For Court Supervision By Completing the Traffic Safety Program.

Complete Court Supervision Charge Dismissed - No Conviction On Your Driving Record

You can satisfy your court supervision **without** going to court, and the charge against you will be **dismissed** if you:

- Successfully complete the four-hour Traffic Safety Program within 180 days from the date of your violation, and
- Do not receive any additional traffic tickets during the court supervision period. (Court supervision is 180 days from the date of the violation, unless otherwise determined by the court.)

At the end of your court supervision period, the charge against you will be dismissed and no conviction will be entered on your driving record.

Are you eligible

for the Traffic Safety Program?

Yes	No		
		1.	In the twelve (12) months preceding the date of this ticket, have you been charged with any moving violation anywhere in the United States?
		2.	In the four (4) years preceding the date of this ticket, have you taken a 4-hour Defensive Driving course had a ticket amended to a "non-moving" violation, or been on Court Supervision anywhere in the United States?
		3.	Were you charged with driving twenty- one (21) miles or more over the posted speed limit?
		4.	Do you have a Commercial Driver's License (CDL)?
		5.	Was your ticket marked with Court Appearance Required?
		6.	Are you seventeen (17) years or younger?

IF YOU ANSWERED YES
TO ANY OF THE
QUESTIONS ABOVE,
you are NOT eligible to complete
the Traffic Safety Program.



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REGISTRATION FORM Richland

Registration Instructions

- 1. Sign the "Appearance, Plea of Guilty and Waiver" portion of your traffic ticket.
- 2. Complete and sign the "Plea of Guilty and Application for Court Supervision" portion of this form if you are eligible.
- 3. Complete the "Traffic Safety Program Registration" portion of this form.
- 4. Deliver your traffic ticket, this form, and \$125 in cash, bank certified check, or money order payable to: Circuit Clerk, Traffic Division, 201 West Washington St., Clinton, IL 61727.
- 5. The ticket, form, and monies must be delivered to the court no later than ten (10) days before the court date written on the bottom of your ticket.
- 6. Delivery of the above may be made in person or by mail. No personal checks. Do not mail cash. If you paid \$75 cash to the officer as bond, only an additional \$55 must be paid.
- 7. If you are under the age of 17 years, you MUST appear in court with a parent or guardian before applying for a Traffic Safety Class.
- The circuit clerk will forward your registration form to Richland Community College. The College will notify you by mail of the date, time, and location of your class.
- 9. If you need to change your class assignment, you must notify the Traffic Safety Program office, telephone (217)875-7211, Ext. 261 no later than twenty-four (24) hours prior to the class start time. You will receive a new assignment upon payment of a \$10 reschedulina fee.
- 10. If you fail to appear, or if you are late 15 minutes or more for an assigned class, you must pay \$40 and request another class to complete the Traffic Safety Program.

PAYMENT CAN BE MADE WITH Discover. MasterCard. **Visa. American Express**

Traffic Safety Program Registration

(Please print in ink)

Address City/State		
City/State Zip Daytime Phone		
Zip Daytime Phone		
Zip Daytime Phone		
Daytime Phone		
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Evening Phone		
Driver License	#	
State		
Date of Violatio	on	
Case Number		
Social Security	/#	
Class Option Please select y These choices	our choice i	in order of preference (1, 2, 3). guaranteed.
Saturo	day	8:00 a.m. – Noon
Saturo	lay	1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Wedne	esdays	6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
Please note an	y scheduling	g conflicts:

Class information:

Please call the Richland Community College Fairview Plaza Extension Center (217.462.0480)

Ticket information:

Please call Circuit Clerk Traffic Division (217.935.2195) or visit www.judici.com

First: Fill out this form completely. (Please use ink.) Make sure the information is accurate. Failure to return this completed form could result in conviction.

State of Illinois

certify, under the penalty of perjury pursuant to Chapter 110. Section 1-109. ILL. Rev. Stat., as follows: I understand that any false statement on this affidavit may subject me to a contempt of court proceeding and/or a felony complaint being filed against me for the criminal offense of perjury.

By signing this statement, I swear, or affirm, the following to be true:

- 1. I have not received a traffic ticket within twelve (12) months of this ticket that resulted in a conviction.
- 2. I have not received a traffic ticket within forty-eight (48) months of this ticket that resulted in court supervision, had the ticket amended to a non-moving violation, or completed any Traffic Safety Program.
- 3. I am not charged with speeding twentyone (21) miles per hour or more over the speed limit on this ticket.
- 4. My ticket is not marked with a must appear offense.
- 5. I further understand that I do plead guilty to the charges on this ticket, waive my right to a hearing by the court, and request court supervision.

I understand my driving record can be checked. If it indicates that I have been charged with a traffic offense that resulted in any of the possibilities in paragraphs 1 and 2 above, my plea of guilty will be accepted and a conviction entered against me and reported to the Secretary Of State to be included on

my driving record.

I agree to pay \$40 for the Traffic Safety Program and \$10 to the Clerk of the Court for administrative

I further understand, if I make an application for the Traffic Safety Program and I am not eligible or I fail to complete the Traffic Safety Program in a timely manner or I receive another traffic violation within my court supervision period or I fail to pay the appropriate fine and fee, that a conviction will be entered against me and reported to the Secretary Of State to be included on my driving record.

Sign here	
Date	
Driver's License #	
State	
Local Address	
Home Address (student)	

Don t forget to return the signed copy of your ticket with this form.

Payment Options

To make payments 24 hours a dav. seven davs a week, go to www.GovPavNOW.com or call 888 604 7888

Have the Pav Location Code when paying

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- Tribunal Multas 6228
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- Tasas 6230

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