

## Remote Learning



### @De Long's Driving

Here at De Long's Driving School, we switched to remote learning instruction (*via "Zoom"*) when the pandemic hit in the Spring of 2020. Fortunately, our content of the coursework did not change from in-person. We still incorporate Power Point instruction along with up-to-date videos and worksheets.

While I realize that some students and parents have reservations with remote learning, I can say with a high degree of certainty that our program has not suffered what some other curricular areas may have gone through when making the switch. Our "style" was streamlined to this format with extraordinarily little modification. We still allow around 5-minute breaks on the hour to allow for restroom and drink breaks if needed.

To alleviate some possible anxiety for this process of remote learning, let us go through some of the advantages that our Zoom Sessions have over the in-person instruction.

1. Student will be more **likely to not miss classes**. Because of vacations or other reasons for being out of town, one can still be in attendance if they have an internet connection.
2. No more relying on a parent or sibling to take them to a physical location. They may attend class from the **comfort of their home/room** or even at a friend's house.
3. Communication through the chat feature has made it **less intimidating** for the students to ask questions during class by asking them privately to the instructor. Immediate feedback is given.
4. At any time, the parent can physically hear and see what is going on in the class for peace of mind for what is being taught at any moment. In fact, **we encourage an adult to listen in** if they wish to do so.
5. Also, keep in mind that **we give in-person driving instruction** so that one on one communication is still used for instruction no matter the curriculum delivery.
6. **Test scores/attendance on average have risen** since switching to remote learning.