

# Parents' Conversation List

**How does your family want to address the following? Be on the same page to be as consistent as possible.**

**Which of the following have you already addressed with your child? How often are these conversations brought up?**

- Point out what you are seeing as you are driving
- Passing by an accident can be a teachable moment
- Model the expectations you want them to maintain - They are watching like never before!
  - put away the phone
  - keep an eye on the speedometer
  - buckling up – including all passengers
- Costs (insurance, gas, maintenance)
- Curfew... their desire for more independence has arrived!

## **Learning to Drive Tips (from other Immanuel parents)**

- A church parking lot is a great place to go. There are medians to circle around and places to practice starting, stopping and parking.
- Be prepared to realize JUST HOW NEW and FOREIGN driving is to your kid!
- Come with patience and be encouraging.
- This can be scary for them, but you ultimately want them to think critically and CONFIDENTLY!
- Allow plenty of time to get where you are going. You may not be used to how long it takes when traveling the speed limit!

## **Tracking your Driving Hours**

- Road Ready app or something similar
  - Monitors total time logged and also notes day/night time driving
  - Can email yourself a PDF of driving log in the state approved format
- Do you want to track your student's whereabouts once they have their license (GPS/speed)?

## **You know your child best. What will help set them up for success?**

- Some students prefer all the instructions before they begin their driving session. It can be hard for new drivers to focus on instructions coming at them quickly.
- Some students prefer to learn in the moment while others become frustrated and confused. Ask what is most helpful for your new driver.