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## **In Control Advanced Driver Training Engages Students with Action Packed Physics Lab**

*Acton/Boxborough, Groton-Dunstable and Littleton Teens will learn the science behind driving and staying safe on the road*

ACTON/BOXBOROUGH, MA-October 10, 2008—Science meets the road on Saturday, October 25, as local high school students perform real-life g-force experiments at high speeds, while at the same time learning driving skills that will help them avoid car crashes. In recognition of “National Teen Driver Safety Week,” October 19-25, In Control Advanced Driver Training will host a special crash prevention course at its new permanent location in North Andover. This day-long crash prevention training offers two sessions: a morning session from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and an afternoon session from 1 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. On this day, however, local students will turn the driving course into a physics lab.

At the Acton Boxborough area Crash Prevention Training program, students from several area schools will learn how to perform panic stops, how to use ABS breaks, the effect of speed on control, the dangers of tailgating, and much more. The students will wear specialized vests designed to measure acceleration in three dimensions while turning, starting and stopping and determining the coefficient of friction. In addition to Acton-Boxborough, students from Groton-Dunstable High School physics classes will also take part in these high-speed physics lessons created by Groton-Dunstable Science teacher Chris Siren.

The Vernier lab system uses Lab Pro software to download the data from the vest sensors to laptop computers. This way, not only do students learn vital skills to stay safe on the road, they can also calculate their physics statistics in a moving vehicle.

“Pairing the In Control driving course with a science lab engages students as they learn about “real world” physics lessons, how to stay safe and have fun.” said Karen Herther Co-Chair of Acton Boxborough Parent Involvement Project (PIP), a community group supporting Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) education K-12 ([www.actonpip.org](http://www.actonpip.org)).

Since it’s National Teen Driver Safety Week, thanks to generous Acton-Boxborough area sponsors\*, In Control is offering this life saving course at a reduced price of \$199. For more information please visit [www.DriveInControl.com/AB](http://www.DriveInControl.com/AB). \*Sponsors of the 2008-09 In Control Acton-Boxborough area teen driving classes include: Acton Toyota of Littleton, Danny’s Place, Acton Boxborough PIP, Groton-Dunstable STEM, Acton Police Association,

Community Alliance for Youth (CAFY) and ABRHS SADD.

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### **About In Control Advanced Driver Training**

In Control Advanced Driver Training was founded in 2003 by professional racecar driver Brandon Bogart in an effort to lower the number of accidents caused by driver error. Automobile crashes are the number one killer of people under 45 and In Control's program has been found to reduce crash rates in new drivers by 70 percent.

The half day In Control program is an extreme crash prevention training course designed to not only teach participants the appropriate way to respond to unavoidable, real-life road situations, but also to instill lifelong attitudes that make safer drivers. This closed course hands-on education was adapted from existing law enforcement training that Bogart has been instructing for more than a decade.

In Control is the first advanced driver training course certified by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and graduates, regardless of driving experience, qualify to receive Massachusetts auto insurance discounts up to 10%. In Control has trained over 8,000 students and receives limitless praise from graduates, parents, schools, police departments, insurance companies, legislators and community groups all over New England. The course is held on closed airport runways and other large paved areas where students are able to practice emergency maneuvers in a safe environment. In Control operates fixed site facilities at the South Weymouth Naval Air Station and the former Lucent Technologies facility in North Andover. A Mobile Crash Prevention Classroom also serves locations throughout New England including Seekonk, Worcester and Cape Cod. For more information about In Control Advanced Driver Training, please visit: [www.DriveInControl.com](http://www.DriveInControl.com)