

# CREATE YOUR OWN SAFETY SIGN

**Students will put their creativity to the test while also helping their communities.**

Students can have a powerful impact on the way adults think about certain topics. This can definitely be the case when it comes to car and road safety because this directly impacts kids. In this lesson students will be encouraged to use their voices and ideas to create strong messages for their own communities.



## Instructions for the Lesson:

### 1. TALK ABOUT CAR SAFETY.

Have students research facts and statistics about car safety, and write down what they find. Some of the topic areas for them to look into might include: distracted driving, safe driving, and the impact of speed. Encourage students to concentrate on a single message for their sign.

### 2. TALK ABOUT ROAD SAFETY.

Have students research facts and statistics about road safety. Some of the topic areas for them to look into might include: walking to school, bike safety, crosswalk safety, and being a smart pedestrian. Have students focus on a single message for their sign.

### 3. CREATE SIGNS!

After they've researched, have students create a shared list of safety topics together and write them on the board for students who need help with ideas. Then have students practice their signs first on some scrap paper. Once they're ready, transfer them to the sign templates. Proudly display signs around school!

## Time Required:

30-45 minutes

## Materials

- Paper
- Sign template

## Prep:

Print copies of the safety sign template, and make sure you have art supplies for everyone.

## Objective:

Students will learn about common road and car safety challenges and then will use their own creativity to come up with solutions through artwork.

## Elevate Your Lesson:

**Here are some ideas for ways to expand this lesson.**

- Challenge students to create a message with a rhyme.
- Have students make a list of different safety topics, and then try to have a sign to cover each one.
- Create stands for the signs out of paper or pipe cleaners, giving them the look of billboards.

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Come up with a great saying, and get the message out.

