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## "Show-Me I'm Worth Stopping For" Contest Winners

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The Missouri School Boards' Association's Center for Education Safety (CES) asked students to enter the Show-Me I'm Worth Stopping For Contest. K-12 students created videos, audio recordings, and posters educating drivers on the importance of compliance with the school bus stop arm when the bus has stopped. In a state-wide competition, a group of talented students have emerged as the winners of the contest.

The first-place winning entry in the video category came from Allie Pollard, Aslyn Wirz, Grace Sepulvado, Gracen Hampton, and Macie Templemire. All five students attend Dexter Senior High School in Dexter, MO and are members of the Broadcasting class.

"We are thrilled to announce the winners of the Student Video Contest and extend our warmest congratulations to the students from Dexter High School for their outstanding contribution," said CES Director Amy Roderick. "Their video exemplifies the creativity and passion that Missouri students bring to the table in championing important issues."

First-place winning students will receive a prize of \$1,500, with \$1,000 going to the students and \$500 to the district. Additionally, their video will be featured on the MSBA website.

The Student Contest is part of a collaboration with the Center for Education Safety and several other collaborating agencies for the "Take 1 for Zero" project, funded through the Missouri Department of Transportation Highway Safety and Traffic Division.

The goal of the project is to make "1" major impact on roadway safety by focusing on school bus stop arm violations throughout Missouri. The act of illegally passing a stopped school bus with red lights flashing is commonly known as a "stop-arm violation". This is a major problem across the country.

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