



For more information on the **Traffic Safety Education Programs** listed below, please contact:

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For School Children:

- **Classroom and Community Outreach**

AAA's Traffic Safety Education Specialist is available to work with educators, community groups, police departments and healthcare providers to provide support for safety campaigns. Whether a classroom lesson or school assembly about community traffic safety issues, child passenger safety education, bicycle and helmet check-ups, or school bus safety campaigns, we are committed to providing free educational outreach.

- **Otto the Auto & Friends**

Otto is the AAA Traffic Safety Education mascot who is available for special appearances to schools and community events to "talk" to children about seatbelts, booster seats, pedestrian, and bicycle safety. He helps to create a memorable visit by answering student's questions himself.



- **School Safety Patrol**

In 1921, former Woonsocket, R.I. Police Chief Frederick E. Coe implemented the AAA School Safety Patrol on the streets surrounding Woonsocket schools. Mr. Coe is credited with being one of the first officials in the U.S. to pioneer the program. Today more than 175 schools in Rhode Island and Massachusetts, and more than 50,000 schools worldwide participate in the program. Pedestrian safety training is offered to schools implementing patrol programs. Many local police departments collaborate with community schools to assist in training and support of patrollers and their adult advisors. AAA provides the belts, badges and necessary membership materials. AAA supports the program further by honoring the AAA Patroller of the Year, an award given to one exemplary student patroller from each state, and the AAA Lifesaving Award to students who risk their lives to save the life of a fellow student. The annual awards ceremony is held in Washington D.C. for these exceptional patrollers.