

SCHEDULING INFORMATION for Cruz

Presented by Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration's Highway Safety Office

Please read over the following items before scheduling your presentation(s):

- Cruz presentations are best suited for children ages 4 through 7, however, there are some opportunities for slightly older children to benefit from the presentation as well.
- Cruz works best with groups of 50 children or less. This allows more children to interact with Cruz and helps keep them engaged.
- Cruz's operator must remain hidden from the children's view but needs to be able to see Cruz and the first row of children at all times. This helps the children concentrate on Cruz's message. **Please keep this in mind when determining a location for the program.**
- The ideal location is a cafeteria or gymnasium with a curtained stage, so that Cruz and the children can be stationed on the floor, while Cruz's operator can hide behind the curtains, peering through the opening.
- The larger the space that Cruz has available to maneuver, the more engaged the students will remain.
- Cruz cannot be transported up and down multiple steps.
- No equipment is required; however, a designated adult, at the front of the room, is required to assist with the program by ensuring the children maintain a safe distance and to help call on volunteers. If you do not have an adult available, the Highway Safety Office may be able to provide one.