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Maize student named winner of annual design contest

WICHITA, Kan.— Cody Harris of Maize South High School is the winner of the Kansas Turnpike Authority's fifth annual design contest. This contest celebrates National Work Zone Awareness Week and encourages teen drivers to be aware of safe driving behaviors through work zones.

National Work Zone Awareness Week is a safety campaign held each spring highlighting the need for safe, attentive driving through work zones to prevent injuries and fatalities for workers and motorists.

"Teens are in their formative driving years, so creative, engaging ways to instill these habits early is important to us," said Rachel Bell, KTA's Director of Business Services & Customer Relations. "Cody did a great job creating a design that also had an important message about work zone safety with it."

Contestants submitted a ¾ page advertisement focused on work zone safety. Cody's work will be published in VYPE Magazine and KTA's monthly newsletter, Turnpike Times. View Cody's work, as well as the other finalists, at <https://bit.ly/2RTle4j>.

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About KTA:

For nearly 65 years, the Kansas Turnpike Authority (KTA) maintains 236 miles of user-fee supported roadway from the Oklahoma border to Kansas City. KTA doesn't receive state or federal tax funds. Instead, toll revenue pays for preservation and modernization of the Turnpike system. [KTA's Strategic Plan](#) supports organizational goals with four strategic initiatives. KTA's mission is to move Kansas forward by operating a safe, reliable and customer-valued turnpike system in a fiscally responsible, businesslike manner.

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