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WPD Bicycle Skills and Safety Clinics Help Keep Young People Safe

Each year children across America are killed or injured in accidents involving bicycles. To help protect Wichita area children, the Wichita Police Department is conducting bicycle skills and safety clinics, according to Wichita Police School Liaison Officer Shay Wash.

“These clinics are designed to teach skilled and safe bicycle riding and include classroom instruction, films and skill instruction on bicycle skilled courses,” said Wash. “The clinics also include a presentation by a trauma nurse from via Christi Regional Medical Center-St. Francis Campus about the use of bike helmets use.

In order for children to take part in the clinics, they must already know how to ride a bicycle, complete an application, and attend the clinic with their bike, a bike helmet and a sack lunch, Wash said.

The clinics are broken down by age group with classes for children ages 6 to 8 and children 9 to 11 years old being held on separate days. The schedule and

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locations of the clinics, which run through the month of July, are attached and can be found on the WPD public website under the Support Services page. Parents can register their children on-line, or print the form and mail it to the Wichita Police department.

Questions about the clinic should be directed to the School Liaison Office at 316-268-4117.