Roseanne Hanley is a reading teacher at a non-profit, private school for nearly 200 students with disabilities. She earned this “driver safety award,” not for her primary teaching duties, but rather for the countless hours she volunteers after school.

Ms. Hanley helps her students prepare for their written driver’s examination. She assists them in navigating through the more than 200 pages of the New Jersey Driver’s Manual. Not only does Ms. Hanley focus on the mechanics of the written test, she also stresses the importance of driver safety and responsibility. Her help with this endeavor is life-changing for her students. Without her guidance and support it is unlikely that these students would pass the exam and gain the sense of independence which comes with having one’s driver’s license.

Nearly 100% of the students Ms. Hanley works with receive a passing grade on their test.