

HOOP RIDE

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Genre: Urban / Crime / Comedy-Drama

Tone: Fast-paced, edgy, suspenseful with humor

Logline

A group of teens desperate to make it to a local rap battle unknowingly find themselves driving a stolen car connected to a murder, triggering a wild night of chases, revelations, and life-altering choices.

Story Overview

Set over the course of one chaotic day, *Hoop Ride* follows Eric, a talented but conflicted teen preparing for an important rap battle that could change his future. With pressure mounting from friends, money problems at home, and no transportation to the event, Eric's world collides with street-level crime in the most unexpected way.

When his friend Mack mysteriously secures a car for the night, the group is relieved—until the truth begins to unravel. Unbeknownst to the teens, the vehicle was stolen from two bumbling goons working for a powerful crime boss after a deal goes terribly wrong, leaving behind a missing body and stolen cash.

As the night unfolds, multiple storylines collide:

- Detectives closing in on a homicide
- A crime boss hunting for his stolen money
- Rental agents chasing desperate customers
- Teens unknowingly racing toward danger

What begins as a mission to make it to a rap battle spirals into a high-speed chase through the neighborhood, forcing secrets into the open and pushing Eric to decide who he really wants to be.

In the end, *Hoop Ride* delivers a pulse-pounding mix of humor, danger, and heart—culminating in Eric making it to the stage just in time, with far more at stake than a rap battle trophy.

Themes

- Choices and consequences
- Youth, ambition, and pressure

- Loyalty and friendship
- Survival in the midst of chaos