

STUDENT MOTOR VEHICLE USE

The board recognizes the convenience to families and students of having students drive to and park at their school attendance center. Driving a motor vehicle to and parking it at the student's attendance center is a privilege.

Students who drive to and park at their school attendance center shall only drive to and park at their designated attendance center, or at either their attendance center or a shared district's attendance center for the purpose of attending district classes or activities. Students may not loiter around or be in their vehicle during the school day without permission from the principal. Students shall leave their attendance center when there is no longer a legitimate reason for them to be at their attendance center. Students who drive shall enter and leave the parking lot by the routes designated by the principal.

A student driving permit is available through the Superintendent's office to students who have successfully completed the Driver's Education Course, are a minimum age of 14 ½, and live one mile or more from their attendance center. Middle School students shall not be eligible for a student driving permit; however, students who meet the aforementioned criteria may become eligible for a student permit upon successful completion of eighth grade. The student driving permit enables a student to drive to and from school and school activities and practices. Students who live within one mile of school, and would not otherwise be eligible for a student driving permit, may become eligible to obtain a student driving permit only when the Superintendent has reviewed an application and has determined that extraordinary circumstance (such as a health issue) exists.

Students who wish to drive to and park at their school attendance center shall comply with the rules and regulations established by the building principal. Failure to comply with this policy or the school district rules shall be reason for revocation of school driving and parking privileges as well as other disciplinary action including suspension and/or expulsion.

The building principal shall be authorized to create and enforce student traffic and parking regulations as deemed necessary and appropriate for each particular building. These regulations should promote safe driving, orderly parking, and provide for free access by emergency vehicles, school buses, and other authorized traffic.

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