



DRIVER STUDENT – POLICY GUIDELINES

College council will review this policy every three years or as directed by DET

Date approved: August 2018

Date of next review: 2021

RATIONALE

The College is aware that a number of senior students drive to school either occasionally or on a regular basis. Young drivers are one of the most vulnerable road user groups because of their inexperience, their on-going development of driving skills and because of patterns of risk-taking behaviour related to their youth. Research shows that travelling with young teenage passengers constitutes an increased risk for young drivers. It is important, therefore, that all members of the College community are aware of the College policy relating to students driving to school so that it can exercise its duty of care and enhance student safety.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to enhance student safety by carefully monitoring students who drive to school and by establishing systems to ensure that students driving and travelling as passengers in cars do so with parental knowledge and approval and within DET guidelines.

GUIDELINES

1. It is expected that students will drive to and from school in a safe and responsible manner and adhere to the road rules. Additionally, students should ensure that they do not cause a nuisance to neighbours when parking in surrounding streets.
2. Students who are licensed to drive may drive themselves to College however, they must have **Registration Form A** signed by their parent / guardian. The original registration form must be lodged with the appropriate Level Coordinator and a copy be available on demand. The Level Coordinator will maintain a database of student drivers.
3. A student who wishes to travel to and from College in a car driven by another student must have **Registration Form B** signed by their parent / guardian. The original registration form must be lodged with the appropriate Level Coordinator and a copy be available on demand. The Level Coordinator will maintain a database of student drivers.
4. Students who wish to carry a student passenger in their vehicle must ensure that the passenger completes **Registration Form B** available at the Senior School office. Students must comply with P1 licence restrictions regarding limiting peer passengers. International Students who hold an International Licence must also comply with P1 licence restrictions.
5. Students are not permitted under any circumstances to transport other students in private vehicles in connection with any school program or function, whether held during normal school hours or at other times. (*Schools Policy and Advisory Guide*)
6. Students must not park within the College grounds, including College car parking areas.
7. Students are not permitted to be out of the College grounds during the normal course of the day and, therefore, must not be in cars at lunchtimes, recess or during spare periods.
8. If these requirements are disregarded, parents will be notified and appropriate consequences in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct will apply.
9. If the College becomes aware that a student has broken road rules or has driven in an unsafe or irresponsible manner, police and relevant parents will be notified. For example: a student carrying more than 1 peer passenger.
10. To ensure that drivers, passengers and parents are aware of the College policy and requirements in relation to student drivers, the policy and requirements will be publicised.

DONCASTER SECONDARY COLLEGE
FORM A – STUDENT CAR REGISTRATION
DRIVER ONLY

The College policy relating to students driving to and from College requires students to adhere to the guidelines below:

Guidelines

1. It is expected that students will drive to and from school in a safe and responsible manner and adhere to the road rules. Additionally, students should ensure that they do not cause a nuisance to neighbours when parking in surrounding streets.
2. Students who are licensed to drive may drive themselves to College however, they must have **Registration Form A** signed by their parent / guardian. The original registration form must be lodged with the appropriate Level Coordinator and a copy be available on demand.
3. Students who wish to travel to and from College in cars driven by other students must have **Registration Form B** signed by their parent / guardian. The original registration form must be lodged with the appropriate Level Coordinator and a copy be available on demand.
4. Students who wish to carry a student passenger in their vehicle must ensure that the passenger completes **Registration Form B** available at the Senior School office. **Under a P1 licence only one peer passenger is allowed in the vehicle.**
5. Students are not permitted under any circumstances to drive any students in private vehicles in connection with any school program or function, whether held during normal school hours or at other times. (*Schools Policy and Advisory Guide*)
6. Students must not park within the College grounds, including College car parking areas.
7. Students are not permitted to be out of the College grounds during the normal course of the day and, therefore, must not be in cars at lunchtimes, recess or during spare periods.
8. If these requirements are disregarded, parents will be notified and appropriate consequences in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct will apply.
9. If the College becomes aware that a student has broken road rules or has driven in an unsafe or irresponsible manner, police and parents will be notified.

The following details must be completed and Form A returned to your Level Coordinator.

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| Name of Student Driver _____ | Form _____ |
| Vehicle Registration Number _____ | Make _____ |
| Type _____ | Colour _____ |
| Signature of Student _____ | Date _____ |

Parent Declaration

I, _____, give permission for my son/daughter named above to drive to and from the College.

Parent /Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

DONCASTER SECONDARY COLLEGE
FORM B – STUDENT CAR REGISTRATION
PASSENGER ONLY

The College policy relating to students driving to and from College requires students to adhere to the guidelines below:

Guidelines

1. It is expected that students will drive to and from school in a safe and responsible manner and adhere to the road rules. Additionally, students should ensure that they do not cause a nuisance to neighbours when parking in surrounding streets.
2. Students who are licensed to drive may drive themselves to College, however, they must have **Registration Form A** signed by their parent / guardian. The original registration form must be lodged with the appropriate Level Coordinator and a copy be made available on demand.
3. While the College does not encourage students to travel in cars with another student, a student who needs to travel to and from College in cars driven by other students must have **Registration Form B** signed by their parent / guardian. The original registration form must be lodged with the appropriate Level Coordinator and a copy be made available on demand. **Please note P1 class drivers may only have one peer passenger.**
4. Students who wish to carry student passengers in their vehicle must ensure that each passenger completes Registration *Form B* available at the Senior School office.
5. Students are not permitted under any circumstances to drive other students in private vehicles in connection with any school program or function, whether held during normal school hours or at other times. (*Schools Policy and Advisory Guide*)
6. Students must not park within the College grounds, including College car parking areas.
7. Students are not permitted to be out of the College grounds during the normal course of the Day and, therefore, must not be in cars at lunchtimes, recess or during spare periods.
8. If these requirements are disregarded, parents will be notified and appropriate consequences in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct will apply.
9. If the College becomes aware that a student has broken road rules or has driven in an unsafe or irresponsible manner, police and parents will be notified.

The following details must be completed and Form B returned to your Level Coordinator.

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| Name of Student Driver _____ | Form _____ |
| Vehicle Registration Number _____ | Make _____ |
| Type _____ | Colour _____ |
| Signature of Student _____ | Date _____ |

Parent Declaration

I, _____, give permission for my son/daughter named above to drive to and from the College.

Parent /Guardian Signature _____ Date _____