

INSTRUCTION

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Driver Education

The process for Driver Education student selection begins with completion of the course application which requires the signature of the parent/legal guardian. Applications are available at the Coeur d'Alene School District office, District Website and at all high schools within the district. Students are selected based upon their age. The oldest students are always first to be offered the option of taking Driver Education. A student chosen for a class may opt to pass and return his or her name to the list of students eligible for a course to be offered at a later date. Foreign exchange and IDLA students are not eligible.

Reasonable accommodations are provided to students who qualify for a 504 Plan and Free and Appropriate Public Education under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.

Students who are selected will be contacted by mail. The parent/guardian letter will provide information on required documents, date and time of a Driver Education parent/guardian meeting, date and time of first class, and a synopsis of what will be covered in the six week course.

Students must obtain a dual control instructional permit through the Department of Motor Vehicle (DMV) licensing to obtain a learner's permit. The DMV requires the following:

1. Verification of Compliance (VOC) regarding attendance record;
2. Certified copy of the student's birth certificate;
3. Photo identification card;
4. Social security card;
5. Glasses/contacts if needed by student for distance vision; and
6. Parent/legal guardian to accompany student.

Students will practice driving instruction in the provided dual control vehicle, which is adequately covered by insurance for all those who use it or ride in it. Law prohibits driver education students from driving outside of class time prior to completion of class. Students driving outside the school program will be immediately dismissed from the class.

Students may miss no more than three (3) days and must make up any missed sessions, must complete all driving and observation requirements, and must pass with eighty percent (80%) or better as stated in the Standards for Idaho Public Schools Driver Education Programs. No refunds or credits will be issued after the first three (3) classes are held.

If a student has any disciplinary actions at his or her school, or during the Driver Education program he or she will be dismissed from the Driver Education program. No refund or credit will be issued if a student is dismissed and re-enrollment may be denied.

After passing the Driver Education course, students under the age of seventeen (17), must drive supervised for six (6) months with someone who is at least twenty-one (21) years of age and has a valid state issued driver's license before the student can apply for a state driver's license.

Termination of Driving Privileges

In the event an enrolled student fails to meet the state enrollment and attendance requirements, the school principal or designee will provide written notification on a form provided by the Idaho Department of Education to the student and parent/guardian of the School District's intent to request that the Idaho Department of Transportation suspend the student's driving privileges, because the student has dropped out of school or has failed to comply with the enrollment and attendance requirements. (Idaho Code 49-303A(3)(a))

The student and parent/guardian will have fifteen (15) calendar days from the date of receipt of the above-mentioned notice to request a hearing before the school principal or designee for the purpose of reviewing the pending suspension of driving privileges. The requested hearing will be held within thirty (30) calendar days after the receipt of the request.

The school principal or designee may grant a hardship waiver of the requirements of this policy for any student for whom a personal or family hardship requires that the student have a driver's license for his or her own or family member's employment or medical care. The principal or designee will take into account the recommendations of teachers, other school officials, guidance counselors, or academic advisors prior to granting a waiver. Such a hardship waiver must be requested by the student or the student's parent/guardian at the initial hearing.

If the principal or designee, denies a hardship waiver, that decision may be appealed to the Board of Trustees of this School District within seven (7) calendar days of receipt of the principal's or designee's decision. The hearing before the Board will be held at a mutually convenient time. The Board will have the authority to uphold the decision of the principal or designee, or reverse the decision and grant the hardship waiver.

The Coeur d'Alene School District will follow all guidelines/policies of Driver's Education as provided by the Idaho Department of Education.

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