

# Student Driver Policy

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## Rationale:

Our school recognises the need to minimise the risks associated with young drivers and that in order to provide a safe school environment, students must comply with the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development regulations on students driving vehicles to school.

## Policy:

1. Students who drive vehicles to and from school will drive safely and comply with the law.
2. Students are not permitted to transport themselves or other students in private cars to and from camps, excursions or school events where transport is provided. If students are required to make their own way to an event, they may drive themselves and other passengers as outlined by the conditions of their licence.
3. The school has designated parking for students. Students **must not** park in streets adjacent to the College.
4. Parking vehicles is at the car owner's risk.
5. If the school becomes aware that a student driver has broken road rules or driven in an unsafe or irresponsible manner, police will be notified.

## Implementation:

- All students intending to drive to and from school must log their cars make and registration with the Senior Sub School.
- Students must park their vehicles in the designated area on the south east side of north park oval or streets **not** adjacent to the school. Students must not park on College grounds.
- Students will drive to and from school in a safe and responsible manner and adhere to road rules.
- Students are not permitted to use their car during the school day unless written authorization is provided by a parent or guardian and it is for an approved reason such as a medical appointment. A certificate of attendance at the appointment is required.
- Under no circumstances can students transport other students in their cars to and from school camps, excursions and events.
- If these requirements are disregarded, parents will be notified and appropriate student sanctions will apply which may include but not be restricted to students being asked to leave keys with the Senior Sub School during the day or requested not to drive their vehicle to school.
- The College takes no responsibility for damage to vehicles.
- This policy will be reinforced through the School Newsletters, assemblies and Parent Information Evenings.
- The school will provide an age appropriate traffic safety program.

## Basis for Discretion:

The basis for discretion lies with the Principal.

## Review:

This policy will be reviewed as part of the College's three-year review cycle.