

TAFELBERG SCHOOL

STUDENT DRIVER POLICY

SGB : Chair

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Principal

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Implementation date :

Introduction

Senior learners (referred herein as students) are increasingly obtaining their own transport. In order to ensure learner safety, minimize congestion, enforce basic road rules, and utilize the limited space within the school grounds, it is necessary to regulate and monitor students wishing to park their motor vehicle or motorcycle on school property. In the interests of security, the school is prepared to allow its students to park their vehicles or motorcycles on school property, during school hours under certain conditions.

Conditions

a) Student driver and vehicle :

- Student drivers refer to learners presently registered at Tafelberg School.
- The student has a valid driver's licence.
- The vehicle / motor cycle is properly licenced and has a roadworthy certificate, both of which are renewed as prescribed by the traffic department.
- The student driver MUST inform the school should his/her licence lapse or be suspended.

b) School requirements before permission will be granted :

- The student will pay a fee determined by the school for the privilege of parking within the school grounds. This fee must be paid at the start of each Term.
- The student driver of the vehicle, must supply the school with a certified copy of his/her valid driver's licence.
- The student must provide the school with a letter from his/her parent in which they give permission that the student may go to school in their own vehicle.
- The student driver and his/her parents, must sign for and read the student driver policy.
- Only the student applying will be granted permission –permission is not transferable.

c) Insurance and accidents :

- The school insurance does not extend to owners / drivers of vehicles or motorcycles who enter the school grounds with their vehicle / motorcycle.
- All vehicles / motorcycles are parked on the school grounds at own risk.
- The driver of any vehicle / motorcycle on school grounds will be held liable for any accident / damage caused through their own fault.
- All drivers and vehicles/ motorcycles must be insured against accidents.
- The student driver MUST inform the school if his/her insurance changes or lapses.

d) Lifts :

- Should a student driver provide a lift to a fellow Tafelberg learner, the school will require the following letters :
 - 1) from the driver's parents granting permission for their son/daughter to provide a lift to the specified learner(s)
 - 2) from the parents of the learner(s) using the lift option, granting permission to the student driver to "lift" their son/daughter
- These two letters must also be presented to the school for filing

e) General :

- Vehicle / motor cycle driver must adhere to the following when driving on school grounds :
 - Observe all road safety rules
 - Keep to the speed limit ie 20km/h
 - Park only in the designated parking area
 - Do not "rev" the engine, "spin" the wheels or pull off at speed.
 - No loud music emanating from the vehicle, radios etc will be tolerated
- Learners are NOT allowed to sit in or stand around a student's vehicle / motor cycle before school, at break times nor after school.
- Students / learners may not go to fetch items from their vehicles / motorcycles during school hours ie 08:00 to 14:35
- The student's vehicle / motorcycle may be searched at any stage should there be suspicion that dangerous and or banned substances of any kind are concealed in or on the vehicle / motorcycle.

Sanction

- Should a student driver be guilty of transgressing any of the terms of this policy, the privilege of parking inside the school grounds will be revoked with immediate effect.
- Should a student continue to use the parking facilities within the school grounds after his/her rights have been revoked, or has not met the requirements (eg not paid the fee, not handed in a copy of the licence etc), the school will clamp the wheels. The wheels will only be unclamped on payment of a fine/release fee of R500-00