Warracknabeal Secondary College

Transport – Students Driving to School Policy

Rationale:
A driver's licence is a privilege, and with it comes responsibility and an assumed level of maturity. Warracknabeal Secondary College encourages responsible driving practices by all of our students travelling to and from school. While most young drivers are careful, safety conscious and considerate when driving, they are the most vulnerable road user group. With this in mind, the College has a responsibility to take all reasonable measures to ensure the welfare and safety of students.

Aims:
- To protect the safety and welfare of students, staff and the school community.
- To ensure that students driving to school adhere to the road rules and drive in a safe and responsible manner.

Implementation:
Any student of a legal driving age who intends to drive to school, either on a regular basis or occasionally, must comply with this policy and is required to complete the “Driving to School Permission Form”, and if necessary ensure that the “Passenger permission” component is completed and signed by the student and parent.

Students must abide by the following rules:
- Students are required to adhere to all road rules and drive in a safe and responsible manner.
- All students intending to drive to school must complete and lodge the Driving to school – Permission form with the Senior School Coordinator.
- Students cannot drive other students to/from school programs or functions. This includes sporting activities, excursions, camps, study days or revision lectures or any other school organised activity.
- Vehicles must be parked on the east side of the Assembly Hall between it and the Hockey field.
- Students must enter and exit the school grounds from Tregear St or Taylor St.
- Students may transport other siblings to/from school provided parents have completed and signed the Passenger Permission component of the form.
- No student is permitted to leave the school grounds during the school day in a vehicle driven by another student. This includes recess and lunchtime.
- Students with a licence are permitted to drive home for lunch provided that they have the appropriate lunch pass.
- The school takes no responsibility for damage to vehicles whilst on school grounds.
- Student vehicle and registration details must be recorded on the “Driving to school permission form”.
- In the case of non-registered motorised vehicles such as scooters, mopeds etc the following must be complied with:
  - The vehicle must comply with VicRoads definition of a legal vehicle.
- Students must hold a learner's permit at a minimum.
- All road rules as they apply to registered vehicles must be adhered to.
- Driving of other students is strictly forbidden.

• If any of the above requirements are not followed, the student will have the appropriate sanction applied which may include, but is not restricted to:
  - An official warning given.
  - Removal of a student's right to drive onto school property
  - Appropriate sanctions in relation to our school discipline policy, ie. Detention or suspension where applicable

**Evaluation:** This policy will be reviewed as part of the school’s regular review cycle.

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