

 <p>DONCASTER SECONDARY COLLEGE</p>	<h2>STUDENT DRIVERS POLICY</h2>
<p>College council will review this policy every three years or as directed by DET</p>	<p>Date approved: June 2021</p>
	<p>Date of next review: 2024</p>

PURPOSE

This policy sets out our school's approach to licenced students driving to and from school and school events. Our school recognises the need for the whole community to make efforts to minimise the risks associated with young drivers and to encourage responsible driving behaviours for students.

SCOPE

This policy applies to all students at Doncaster Secondary College who have a valid driver's licence.

POLICY

Our school recognises that some students will turn 18 and obtain a driver's licence while they are still attending school. Some of these students will want to drive to and from school. Doncaster Secondary College expects that all student drivers will adhere to the conditions of their licence and the road rules and will drive in a safe and responsible manner. If the school becomes aware that a student driver has driven in an unsafe or irresponsible manner, police will be notified.

Students are not permitted to drive themselves to and from camps, excursions or other school activities unless previously arranged and agreed in consultation with the school principal, and only in exceptional circumstances or in circumstances where all students are required to make their own way to the event. Consistent with Victoria's Graduated Licensing System conditions, students are permitted to drive only one peer passenger (aged 16-22), unless the passengers are siblings of the driver.

Students are not permitted to use their car during the school day unless it is for an approved reason such as an unavoidable medical appointment. A certificate of attendance at the appointment is required.

If students act in breach of this policy, parents/carers will be notified and appropriate student sanctions will apply.

Due to significant congestion and unavailability of parking at Doncaster Secondary College, we ask that licensed students do not drive to and from school.

Students who have no means of travelling to school other than driving themselves are expected to speak to the Year 12 Coordinator and complete **Form A – Student Car Registration** which must be signed by their parent / guardian.

Students are not permitted to park within the College grounds and Doncaster Secondary College takes no responsibility for damage to vehicles.

THE NEXT 3 PAGES ARE LOCALISED TO OUR COLLEGE

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. This includes siblings of the student driver. 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.

FURTHER INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

- [Traffic Safety](#)

DONCASTER SECONDARY COLLEGE
FORM A – STUDENT CAR REGISTRATION
DRIVER ONLY

The College policy relating to students driving to and from the 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. This includes siblings of the student driver. 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.

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 the 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. This includes siblings of the student driver. 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.

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 _____