

Students Driving to School Policy

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Rationale

Any student who holds a valid Victorian Drivers licence and intends driving to school, either regularly or occasionally, must comply with this policy and is required to complete the 'Parent Permission and Student Agreement' Form.

Aim

- To closely monitor the student use of motor vehicles on and around the school premises.
- To minimise the potential for risk of injury or incident related to the use of student motor vehicles.

Implementation

Requirements for students driving motor vehicles to Lowanna College:

1. Student drivers and a parent/guardian must sign the 'Parent Permission and Student Agreement' form.
2. Students are required to adhere to all road rules and drive in a safe and responsible manner, including adhering to all College signage such as speed limits on school grounds. Any unsafe driving behaviour or breaches of road rules will be reported to the Police and sanctions enforced.
3. Students are not permitted, under any circumstances, to drive from the school grounds during the day, unless written parent permission has been provided.
4. Student licence details and vehicle make and registration must be recorded with the school.
5. Student drivers are not permitted to carry other students as passengers. The only exception is for siblings and other students who have signed permission on the 'Parent Permission and Student Agreement' form.
6. Sanctions will apply where students fail to meet the abovementioned obligations. These include, but are not limited to, the temporary or permanent removal of parking privileges, suspension from school, after school detention and parent meetings.
7. The Lowanna College Parking Permit must be clearly displayed on the dash of the motor vehicle so that it is visible from the outside. Failure to do so may mean the privilege of parking on site is revoked.

Evaluation

This policy can undergo a minor review at any time, with a major review as part of the College three-year review cycle.

This policy was last ratified by College Council in June 2021