

It is the policy of the Buncombe County Board of Education that fees for student parking be charged, and high schools are authorized to charge a fee to be approved by the board annually.

Principals may assign individual student parking spaces or designate parking areas for students. Whenever individual spaces are designated or assigned, first priority will be given to individuals with physical disabilities. Students who need transportation in order to participate in school-related internships or off-site learning opportunities will have priority for parking spaces over other students. In the interest of safety, the principal may limit the number of student cars that may be parked on school grounds.

Parking on school grounds is a privilege, not a right. The principal may also determine, within the limits of law, how to deal with parking policy offenders. Parking in designated spaces without a permit will be considered a violation of both the local school's regulations and the Buncombe County Board of Education's policy. The violator may be punished under the individual school's disciplinary plan and/or by revocation of his/her parking privileges. Pursuant to G.S. 115C-46, principals may provide for the registration of vehicles and remove cars parked in violation of school rules. Parking privileges may be revoked as a consequence for violating parking rules or for violating student behavior policies, school standards or school rules as provided in policy 4302, School Plan for Management of Student Behavior.

School officials retain authority to conduct routine patrols of student parking lots and inspections of the exteriors of student motor vehicles on school property for any reason without notice or consent. Student cars parked on school property may be searched in accordance with policy 4342, Student Searches.

Legal References: G.S. 115C-46

Cross References: School Plan for Management of Student Behavior (policy 4302), Student Searches (policy 4342)

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