



STRAWN ISD STUDENT PARKING POLICIES

Vehicles parked on Strawn ISD school property are under the jurisdiction of the school.

- **Any student wishing to park a vehicle on a Strawn ISD parking lot must request a parking permit prior to driving a car on campus.**
- The school reserves the right to search any vehicle if reasonable cause exists to do so.
- Searches of vehicles may be conducted anytime there is reasonable cause to do so, with or without presence of the student.
- A student has full responsibility for the security of his/her vehicle and must make certain it is locked and that the keys to the vehicles are not given to others.
- A student will be held responsible for any prohibited objects or substances such as alcohol, drugs, and weapons that are found in his/her car and will be subject to disciplinary action by Strawn ISD, as well as referred for criminal prosecution.
- Parking permits may be issued throughout the school year.
- Sharing parking permits is not permitted.
- ***A student must show a VALID driver's license, proof of insurance and car make, model, and license plate number in order to receive a parking permit.***
- Any student parked in a handicapped parking space, without a handicapped parking permit, in a striped area, is subject to his/her vehicle being towed, ticketed and may lose parking privileges.
- **Any type of reckless driving (excessive speeding, driving over curbs, etc.) on Strawn ISD property at any time (school day/non-school day) will result in automatic suspension of driving privileges on school properties.**

WHO NEEDS A TEXAS DRIVER'S LICENSE?

Driving Without a License

Generally, every person who operates a motor vehicle on a Texas highway must possess and be able to display a valid driver's license.

Driving without a valid license. Unlicensed driving is an offense carrying a fine of up to \$200. A second violation within a year is a misdemeanor that carries a fine of \$25 to \$200. A third violation within a year can result in a \$25 to \$200 fine and/or 72 hours to six months in jail.

License not in possession. A driver who was issued a license but did not have it in their immediate possession can avoid a conviction by presenting valid proof of a valid license to the court. The driver will then be required to pay only a \$10 dismissal fee.

Exceptions. Non-resident drivers with valid driver's licenses from their home state or country can drive in the state without a Texas license, subject to Texas age restrictions

(<https://www.drivinglaws.org/teen/texteen.php>). Farmers driving farm implements and military personnel driving military vehicles are also exempt.



Driver Licensing

There are two phases of licensing for all teens before graduating to a full driver license. This is called the Graduated Driver License Program.

Phase I – Learner License

- This entry-level restricted driver license allows you to practice driving with a licensed adult before you graduate to the next level.
- You must be between 15 and 17 years of age.
- You must have completed the first six hours of the **driver education** classroom instruction if you are using the **concurrent method** or all 32 hours of classroom instruction if you are using the **block method**.
- You must provide evidence that you:
 - Obtained a high school diploma or its equivalent; or
 - Are a student enrolled in a public, private, or home school and attended school for at least 90% of the time in the fall or spring semester preceding the date of application; or
 - Are currently enrolled in a program to prepare you to pass the high school equivalency exam. You must have been enrolled for the previous 45 days from the date of applying for your learner license; or
 - If you are applying during the summer and are still enrolled in school, your last report card for the most recent school year is acceptable provided it has your name, a list of absences, and a complete listing of grades.
- You must have a licensed adult 21 years or older in the front passenger seat when driving.
- You must hold this license for at least six months, unless you turn 18.
- You are restricted from using a wireless communications device, including a hands-free device, except in the case of an emergency.
- If your license is suspended at any time while you hold a learner license, the initial six-month period increases by the number of days of the suspension. This is to make sure you hold a valid learner license for a full six-months.
- Your learner license will expire on your 18th birthday.

Phase II – Provisional Driver License

- You must have held your valid learner license for at least six-months, unless you have reached 18 years of age
- You must be between 16 and 17 years of age
- You must have completed behind-the-wheel portion of driver education, which includes:
 - 7 hours of sitting beside the instructor, watching the instructor demonstrate certain points of instruction
 - 7 hours of driving and demonstrating to the instructor that you have learned the points of instruction
 - 30 hours of behind the wheel driving practice, of which at least 10 hours must be at night with a licensed driver 21 years of age or older in the vehicle at all times
- You must have completed the **Impact Texas Teen Driver Program** within the previous 90 days of taking your skills test
- You must successfully pass your driving test
- Expires on your 18th birthday
- You may not drive a motor vehicle with more than one passenger in the vehicle under 21 who is not a family member
- You may not drive a motor vehicle between midnight and 5:00 a.m., unless the operation of the vehicle is necessary for the driver to work, to attend or participate in a school-related activity, or due to a medical emergency
- You are restricted from using a wireless communications device, including a hands-free device, except in the case of an emergency
- This driver license will expire when you turn 18. You will need to visit your local driver license office within 30 days of it expiring to renew it. You will then be issued a driver license for individuals under 21 years of age.