

Student Driver Policy

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Policy

The Mary MacKillop College Student Driver Policy applies to any student of legal driving age, who intends to drive a vehicle to and/or from the College, on a regular basis or occasionally, must comply with the College Policy.

Rationale

Many students become drivers and start driving themselves to school during the senior years of schooling. Whilst this is a significant and exciting rite of passage for our young people with most young drivers being careful, safety conscious and considerate when driving, they are one of the most vulnerable road user groups. Travelling with teenage passengers adds to the risk for these young drivers.

Expectations

- 1. Students are required to adhere to all road rules and drive in a safe and responsible manner, including adhering to the School Zone 40 km/hr signage.
- 2. Students are only to use their car to travel to and from the College and are not permitted to leave college during the normal school day without written permission.
- 3. Students are not permitted to park on the College grounds and may only park in the designated streets outlined in the College diary (No parking in Donkin Street or Church carpark).
- 4. The College takes no responsibility for damages to cars. Please respect our neighbours and local surrounding businesses.

5. Students are not permitted to carry any passengers other than family members, without written permission from their parent/guardian and written permission from the passenger's parent/guardian. Please refer to the QLD Transport Department for P Plate Responsibilities.

https://www.qld.gov.au/transport/licensing/driver-licensing/applying/provisional/restrictions

Consequences

Students who fail to meet these obligations will have an appropriate consequence applied, which may involve parental contact and restricted driving privileges. Any unsafe driving behaviour or breaches of road rules will be reported to the police.