



Rochedale State High School

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Student Drivers - Policy and Procedures

Rationale

Rochedale State High School actively promotes road safety and encourages safe driving and parking practices. We have established clear expectations to support the safety and wellbeing of students and staff, and to ensure that all student drivers have the adequate permission to drive to school and to transport identified passengers in the vehicle. Students who hold a valid Queensland driver's licence and who intend to drive to school—regularly or on occasion—must understand and agree to the policies and procedures prescribed by the Department of Education and the school.

Legal considerations

Rochedale State High School is not responsible for students whose parent or guardian allow them to drive to school or to be passengers in vehicles driven by other students.

The school takes no responsibility for damage to vehicles. Claims arising out of accident or injury in a private vehicle would be dependent upon the owner's insurance and on the application of common law principles.

All drivers must abide by road rules set out in Transport Operations (Road Use Management - Road Rules) Regulations 2009 (Qld).

Safety First – Requirements for Students

The following conditions are designed to keep our young drivers as safe as possible as they drive to and from school:

- All students who intend to drive to school, their parent/caregiver and, if relevant, the parent/caregiver of any passenger, must sign the Student Driver Agreement.
- Students may not drive to school OR transport any student passenger until they are in receipt of individual authorisation from the Principal.
- Student licence details and car make and registration for all vehicles must be recorded with the school, and names of any student passenger(s).
- Students may not use private vehicles to drive to school excursions, functions, or events.
- Students are not permitted to access their vehicle during school hours without permission from the Principal or authorised staff person.
- Students are not permitted to leave school grounds during the school day, unless the usual signing out procedure is followed.
- At all times, student drivers and passengers must demonstrate behaviour consistent the Student Code of Conduct, available on the school website.
- Students who drive irresponsibly or disregard the school procedures stated herein, shall face disciplinary consequences per the Student Code of Conduct, as well as being reported to Queensland Police Service, if necessary.
- Student vehicles are not permitted on school grounds unless explicit approval is given by the administration. Students will park their vehicles in the local estate and will:
 - Lock vehicles and remove valuables;
 - Respect neighbours of the school (e.g. don't park across driveways, no excessive noise);
 - Park their vehicle as per the Brisbane City Council parking regulations; and
 - Not loiter near their vehicles when parking or leaving.
- Students must notify the school if there are any changes to the information provided on the Student Driver Agreement.



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Notice of Intention to Drive to School Student Driver Agreement

Student Name		Year Level	
Licence No.		Expiry	

Make	Model	Colour	Registration Number

I declare as a person transporting children/students in my own vehicle, by signing this document that:

- I agree to provide the Principal with written permission from the parent/carer of any students I will transport as passengers in my vehicle to and from school. I understand that this written permission also applies to my siblings.
- I certify that I drive a vehicle that complies with the requirements and/or restrictions of my driver's licence, and that it is roadworthy, registered, insured, and equipped with adequate seating and seatbelts for all passengers being transported at any one time.
- I agree to drive my vehicle to/from school in accordance with QLD road rules and the conditions of my driver's licence.
- I acknowledge that I am not permitted to transport myself or other students to off-campus school activities (e.g., excursions, functions, sporting events) unless explicit approval is granted by the school administration.
- I agree to seek permission from the Principal or an authorised staff member if I need to access my vehicle during school hours.
- I agree not to drive or park my vehicle on school grounds unless explicit approval is granted by the school administration.
- I agree to provide the school with proof of my current driver's licence and vehicle registration.
- I acknowledge that the Department of Education and Training does not provide Personal Accident Insurance Cover for students.
- I agree to notify the school office immediately of any changes to the information provided on this form, and I confirm that the information supplied is true and correct.

Passenger's Details (To be completed by student passenger/s and parent/carer/s)

Student passenger/s	Relationship to driver	Signature of passenger's parent/caregiver
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Parent's Signature	Student's Signature	Principal's Signature
Date / /	Date / /	Date / /

Privacy Statement

The school is collecting information about you and your child in order to assess the transportation of your child. Your information will only be accessed by school staff. Your information may be given to drivers who will be transporting children with their vehicle. Your information will not be given to any other person or agency unless we have your consent, or we are required or authorised by law to do so



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