

Driver Education

The classroom driver education course is offered as part of Grade 10 health education curriculum and is taught during the first semester.

Driver Education-Classroom Theory provides students with current information and techniques for novice drivers and the basics of motor vehicle operation. The course focuses on the following topics: Licensing Responsibilities; Preparing to Operate a Vehicle; Important Functions and Relationships of Visual Perception and Driving; Using Space Management System While Interacting with Traffic; Navigating Roadways; Sharing the Road; Distracted Driving; Alcohol; Adverse Conditions and Evasive Maneuvers; Vehicle Systems & Handling Heavy Vehicles; and Driver Responsibilities-Making Informed Choices.

When a student successfully completes Driver Education-Classroom Theory, and has secured a learner's permit, they may register for Behind-the-Wheel, which is offered at each high school. Students would typically:

- Obtain a valid Virginia learner's permit from the Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) on or after reaching 15 years and 6 months of age.
- Complete and pass classroom theory driver education during the 10th grade. Upon successful completion, the student will receive a green card (DEC-1) and become eligible for Behind-the-Wheel driver education instruction.

Please note:

- A payment of \$210.00 dollars is required for this class.
- Students will be taught during their study block or after school.
- A temporary driver's license (TDL-180) will be issued to students when all items below have been satisfied:
 - Successful completion of classroom driver education.
 - Submission of a completed parent permission slip.
 - Successfully complete the 7-8 days of BTW instruction.
 - Pass the in-car road test.
 - Submission of a completed 45 hour driving log.
 - Possess a valid Virginia learner's permit for 9 months.
 - Student must be 16 years and 3 months of age to be licensed.

Subject Area

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Level

High School