



STUDENT DRIVERS POLICY

Bellarine Secondary College

Policy Number 4.0



Help for non-English speakers

If you need help to understand the information in this policy please contact the General Office at the Drysdale Campus.

PURPOSE

This policy sets out our school's approach to students driving to and from school and school events. Our school recognizes the need for the whole community to make efforts to minimize the risks associated with young drivers and to encourage responsible driving behaviors for students.

SCOPE

This policy applies to all students at Bellarine Secondary College who have a valid driver's licence.

POLICY

Our school recognizes that some students will turn 18 and obtain a driver's license while they are still attending school. Some of these students will want to drive to and from school. Bellarine Secondary College expects that all student drivers will adhere to the conditions of their licence and the road rules and will drive in a safe and responsible manner. If the school becomes aware that a student driver has driven in an unsafe or irresponsible manner, police will be notified.

Students are not permitted to drive themselves to and from camps, excursions or other school activities unless previously arranged and agreed in consultation with the school Principal, and only in exceptional circumstances or in circumstances where all students are required to make their own way to the event. Consistent with Victoria's Graduated Licensing System conditions, students are permitted to drive only one peer passenger (aged 16-22), unless the passengers are siblings of the driver.

Students are not permitted to use their car during the school day unless it is for an approved reason such as an unavoidable medical appointment. A certificate of attendance at the appointment is required.

If students act in breach of this policy, parents/carers will be notified and appropriate student sanctions will apply.

Bellarine Secondary College takes no responsibility for damage to vehicles parked in the student car park and parking is at the vehicle owner's own risk. Students may park in the parking bays on Peninsula Drive at the front of the College. Students are requested to avoid parking in the Potato Shed carpark given its use by the community. Student parking is not permitted in the staff car park at the front of the College.

FURTHER INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

The Department's teaching and learning resource:

- [Traffic Safety](#)

POLICY REVIEW AND APPROVAL

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