



STUDENTS DRIVING TO SCHOOL

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The College is aware that a number of senior students intend to drive to college either occasionally or on a regular basis.

Students and parent/guardians need to be aware that students cannot park in the College grounds and that they are not permitted to go to their car during the College Day.

Other College expectations are detailed in the College policy on student drivers. Breaches of the College Policy will lead to appropriate consequences.

The College is mindful of the fact that young drivers are at greater risk than older more experienced drivers and that travelling with teenage passengers considerably increases the risks of young drivers. Consequently, we are conscious of the need to ensure a duty of care for our students.

We are also committed to ensuring that the community maintains a positive perception of the College and the irresponsible and unsafe driving by students will inevitably have a negative effect on the College's image within the community. We therefore have an expectation that students will drive to and from school in a safe and responsible manner. If the College becomes aware that students are breaking road rules, the police will be notified.

Yours sincerely

Carys Freeman
Senior School Assistant Principal

Fountain Gate Secondary College takes no responsibility for damage to vehicles parked on the street and parking is at vehicle owners own risk.



1. Fountain Gate Secondary College believes:

- Student safety is of paramount importance

2. Fountain Gate Secondary College aims to:

- Ensure all students and parents are aware of DET and Fountain Gate Secondary College requirements
- Ensure appropriate documentation and accountability requirements are met.

IMPLEMENTATION

Fountain Gate Secondary College is aware that a number of senior school students intend to drive to school either occasionally or on a regular basis. It is important that all members of the school community are aware of the school policy on this matter.

1. Students driving to school are required to complete a *Students Driving Cars to College Parent/Guardian and Student Agreement Form*, available from the Senior School administration office.
2. Student drivers are required to provide a copy of their licence to Fountain Gate Secondary College.
3. Students are required to adhere to all road rules and drive in a safe and responsible manner and adhere to Fountain Gate Secondary College traffic management plans.
4. The school does not have space available for student parking. Consequently, no student is permitted to park their car within the school grounds. Students are only permitted to park along Victoria Road.
5. It is required that students attending Fountain Gate Secondary College organised events will travel with all other staff and students on the arranged transportation. If students plan to drive themselves to a Fountain Gate Secondary College organised event where transport is not organised, they must provide appropriate detail and notice to staff a minimum of 7 days prior to the event.
6. If these requirements are disregarded, parents will be notified and appropriate student sanctions will apply.
7. If the school becomes aware that a student driver has broken road rules or driven in an unsafe or irresponsible manner, police may be notified.
8. The policy outlines the school's expectations and provides information regarding the transport of passengers. Of particular note is that student drivers are not permitted to carry other students as passengers to and from school without the written permission of their parent/guardian and the passenger's parent/guardian.
9. Under the Graduated Licensing System, no more than one peer aged passenger (aged 16-22 years) is permitted to travel with the driver, unless the passengers are siblings of the driver. This condition does not apply when a fully licensed driver is sitting in the front passenger seat. This is based on research that shows that young drivers carrying several passengers are more likely to engage in risk taking behaviour.
10. Student drivers and a parent/guardian must sign the *Students Driving Cars to College Parent/Guardian and Student Agreement Form* and/or *Passenger Permission Form Fountain Gate Secondary College*.

STUDENTS DRIVING CARS TO COLLEGE PARENT/GUARDIAN AND STUDENT AGREEMENT FORM



This form must be completed by any student who intends to drive to college either occasionally or regularly.

Student Name:	
Car Make:	
Colour:	Registration Number:

Note: If the student intends to drive any car other than the one registered on this form, it must also be registered with the College.

Secondary Vehicle Information	
Car Make:	
Colour:	Registration Number:

Parent/Guardian Permission:

I give permission for _____ to drive to college. I am aware of the College requirements regarding students driving to school.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Student:

I agree to adhere to the College's requirements regarding students driving a car to college.

Signature of Student: _____ Date: _____

Note: A photocopy of the student's driver licence must be provided to Vanessa Mohr (Senior School Administrator) in the senior school administration office.

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PASSENGER PERMISSION FORM FOUNTAIN GATE SECONDARY COLLEGE



This form must be completed by a parent/guardian of any student intending to travel to school as a passenger of a student of this school who drives a car to and from school.

I give approval for

Student Passenger's Name: _____

to travel with

Student Driver's Name: _____

We accept all conditions detailed in the school's Student Driver Policy.

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: Date: _____

Student Passenger Name: _____

Student Signature: Date: _____

SCHOOL APPROVAL

Approved By: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____