

## Students

### Student Use and Parking of Motor Vehicles, Patrols, Inspections and Searches

#### I. Purpose

This policy provides guidelines for use and parking of motor vehicles by students in school district locations, to maintain order and discipline in the schools and to protect the health, safety and welfare of students and school personnel.

#### II. General Statement of Policy

It is the policy of this school district to allow the limited use and parking of motor vehicles by students in district locations. It is the position of the district that a fair and equitable districtwide student motor vehicle policy will contribute to the quality of the student's educational experience, will maintain order and discipline in the schools, and will protect the health, safety and welfare of students and school personnel. This policy applies to all students in the district.

#### III. Definitions

- A. "Contraband" means any unauthorized item possession of which is prohibited by school district policy and/or law. It includes but is not limited to weapons and "look-alikes," alcoholic beverages, controlled substances and "look-alikes," overdue books and other materials belonging to the district, and stolen property.
- B. "Reasonable suspicion" means that a school official has grounds to believe that the search will result in evidence of a violation of district policy, rules, and/or law. Reasonable suspicion may be based on a school official's personal observation, a report from a student, parent or staff member, a student's suspicious behavior, a student's age and history or record of conduct both in and out of the school context, or other reliable sources of information.
- C. "Reasonable scope" means that the scope and/or intrusiveness of the search is reasonably related to the objectives of the search. Factors to consider in determining what is reasonable include the seriousness of the suspected infraction, the reliability of the information, the necessity of acting without delay, the existence of exigent circumstances necessitating an immediate search and further investigation (e.g. to prevent violence, serious and immediate risk of harm or destruction of evidence), and the age of the student.
- D. "School district location" means property that is owned, rented, leased, or borrowed by the district for school purposes, as well as property immediately adjacent to such property that may be used for parking or gaining access to such property. A district location also will include off school property at any

school-sponsored or school-approved activity, event, or function, such as a field trip or athletic event, where students are under the jurisdiction of the district.

#### IV. Student Use of Motor Vehicles in School District Locations

Students generally are not permitted to use motor vehicles during the school day in any school district location. Students may use motor vehicles on the high school campus during the school day only if there is an emergency or permission has been granted to the student by the high school administration to use a motor vehicle.

Strict compliance with the following campus traffic regulations is mandatory; disciplinary action will be taken if a student chooses to ignore them:

1. Ten mile per hour speed limit
2. One direction driving – arrows are on the road designating direction of the traffic.
3. Park in student designated lots and avoid yellow curb, loading dock and faculty parking spaces.
4. "Off limit" regulations relate to parked cars and parking lots during the school day, unless written authorization is granted by school officials.

#### V. Student Parking of Motor Vehicles in School District Locations

- A. Students are permitted to park in a school district location as a matter of privilege, not of right. Students driving a motor vehicle to a high school campus may park the motor vehicle in the parking lot designated for student parking only, and must display a valid permit. All parking permits are issued and managed by the high school administration. Students will not park vehicles in driveways, on private property, or in other designated areas, e.g., parking lots designated for use only by staff or by the general public.
- B. Car pools and students with unique circumstances (including postsecondary options, students with disabilities and other needs) have a priority for parking and are granted permits based on this criterion. Car pooling and sharing of parking permits is encouraged to decrease parking lot congestion and reduce individual student cost.
- C. When there are unauthorized vehicles parked on district property, school officials may:
  1. Move the vehicle or require the driver or other person in charge of the vehicle to move it off district property.
  2. If unattended, provide for the removal of the vehicle, at the expense of the

owner or operator, to the nearest convenient garage or other place of safety off of district property.

## VI. Patrols, Inspections and Searches

School officials may conduct routine patrols of school district locations and routine inspections of the exterior and interior visible spaces of the motor vehicles of students. In addition, the interiors of motor vehicles of students in district locations may be searched when school officials have a reasonable suspicion that the search will uncover a violation of law and/or school policy or rule.

### A. Patrols and Inspections

School officials may conduct routine patrols of student parking lots and other district locations and routine inspections of the exteriors of the motor vehicles of students. Such patrols and inspections may be conducted without notice, without student consent, and without a search warrant.

### B. Search of Interior of Student Motor Vehicle

The interiors of motor vehicles of students in district locations, including glove or trunk compartments, may be searched when school officials have a reasonable suspicion that the search will uncover a violation of law and/or school policy or rule. The search will be reasonable in its scope and intrusiveness. Such searches may be conducted without notice, without consent, and without a search warrant. A student will be subject to withdrawal of parking privileges and to discipline if the student refuses to open a locked motor vehicle under the student's control or its compartments upon the request of a school official.

### C. Prohibition of Contraband and Interference with Patrols, Inspections, Searches and/or Seizures

It is a violation of this policy for students to store or carry contraband in motor vehicles in a district location or to interfere with patrols, inspections, searches and/or seizures as provided by this policy.

### D. Seizure of Contraband

If a search yields contraband, school officials will seize the item and may turn it over to legal officials for ultimate disposition when appropriate.

### E. Dissemination of Policy

This policy will be referenced in the student handbook or disseminated in any way that school administration deems appropriate.

## VII. Directives and Guidelines

The superintendent is granted authority to develop and present for school board review and approval reasonable directives and guidelines which address specific needs of the school district related to student use and parking of motor vehicles in district locations, such as a permit system and parking regulations. Approved directives and guidelines will be attached as an addendum to this policy.

## VIII. Violations

A student found to have violated this policy and/or the directives and guidelines implementing it will be subject to suspension or withdrawal of parking privileges and/or to discipline in accordance with the school district's student discipline policy, which may include suspension, exclusion, or expulsion. In addition, the student may be referred to legal officials when appropriate.

### Legal References:

U. S. Const., amend. IV

Minn. Const., art. I, §10

Minn. Stat. § 123B.02, Subds. 1 and 5 (General Powers of Independent School Districts)

*New Jersey v. T.L.O.*, 469 U.S. 325, 105 S.Ct. 733, 83 L.Ed.2d 720 (1985)

### Cross References:

Policy 418 (Alcohol- and Drug-Free Workplace)

Policy 501 (School Weapons Policy)

Policy 502 (Search of Student Lockers, Desks, Personal Possessions, and Student's Person)

Policy 506 (Student Discipline)

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INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 273

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## **TRAFFIC AND PARKING REGULATIONS FOR MOTOR VEHICLES**

1. Except as modified in this appendix, all traffic and parking regulations of the City of Edina apply to motor vehicles on district property.
2. The law enforcement officers of the City of Edina are authorized to enforce the traffic and parking regulations contained in this appendix.
3. The maximum speed of motor vehicles on district property will be no more than 10 miles per hour or the speed designated by district signage.
4. Two-way traffic is permitted on all district property except where restricted by signs.
5. No person will operate a snowmobile, go-cart, trail motorbike or other recreational motor vehicle on district property without the written permission of administration.
6. Parking is prohibited at all times on district property designated as a fire lane, loading zones, or as restricted by district signage. Unauthorized parking is also prohibited in handicapped parking areas. Parking is prohibited during school hours in areas adjacent to yellow curbs and as designated for bus loading.
7. Parking in designated parking lots at the high school campus during school hours is limited to those students who have been issued a permit in accordance with Policy 527 – Student Use and Parking of Motor Vehicles, Patrols, Inspections and Searches and the procedures determined by the high school administration.
8. The district or school administration may order any motor vehicle parked on district property in violation of this policy to be towed and impounded. The cost of such towing and impoundment is the responsibility of the owner or operator of the motor vehicle.
9. All persons parking motor vehicles on school district property do so at their own risk. The district is not liable in the event of loss of property or damage to vehicles incurred while parked on district property or through the process of towing and impounding a motor vehicle.

## Appendix II to Policy 527

### **Edina High School Parking Permit Information for 2017-18 School Year**

Full year Permits will be available for \$300. Daily permits are \$3/day, and are typically used for a student who needs to drive on occasion, such as for an appointment. 25 daily permits are available each day on a first come, first serve basis.

**Below is the parking prioritization plan for 2017-18 school year.**

1. Students who spend part of their day at PSEO will be eligible for a semester only parking pass for each semester they are enrolled in the PSEO class.
2. 4 person carpools with at least one senior
3. 4 person carpools with at least one junior
4. 3 person carpools with at least one senior
5. 3 person carpools with at least one junior
6. 2 person carpools with at least one senior
7. 2 person carpools with at least one junior

**There will be no lot assignments. All students may park in the lot of their choice.**

- **EHS Parking Permit on-line Registration**

<https://webapps.edinaschools.org/cfa/hsparkingVT/hsparkingform.cfm>

The high school manages the parking permit registration process. Remember, permits are assigned based on a priority system, and not a first come first serve basis.

- **212 Student Carpool Finder** (*This site was created by and is managed by the EHS 212 student leadership group as a tool to help students find a carpool.*)

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1gpCOHzielmjkmK3dSMP5RTkGyHDboI0Nyx2hGT2pNHc/edit#gid=0>