

## **2020-2021 Era HS Student Parking Expectations**

We are excited that many of our students are at a stage in school where they are able to drive to and from the high school. This is a huge privilege and if handled responsibly can encourage student learning and further involvement in extracurricular activities. Please read the following document that outlines our expectations for student parking in Era ISD.

### **Parking Registration/Cost:**

All vehicles parked on school property must be registered. To register a vehicle, students will need to complete a registration form, provide proof of valid insurance, and have a valid driver's license. This can be done in the front office of the high school. Once approved, the student will receive a window sticker with their permit number on it. There is no cost to park on the school property but the decal must be displayed as required. Students may get a permit midyear if they get a driver's license. Students are required to register and show proof of insurance for their vehicles each year.

### **Parking Decals:**

The decal sticker must be displayed in the vehicle's driver window at ALL times. The decal sticker should be placed on the inside of the windshield above the car's inspection sticker (on the driver's side). Failure to display the sticker appropriately may result in a parking ticket in the amount of \$5.00.

If a student drives a vehicle other than the primary vehicle, the student must obtain a temporary parking pass from the secondary principal's office at the beginning of the day. They will need to let us know the make/model and license plate number of the vehicle they are driving. If a student fails to obtain a temporary pass, they are responsible for any parking tickets received. The temporary pass will hang from the rear view mirror. Replacement permits will only be issued with the return of the old permit. Otherwise, the student will be required to purchase a new permit.

### **Parking Spaces:**

Students are only allowed to park in general parking spaces which are first come/first serve. These spaces are marked in yellow. No students are assigned parking spaces with the exception of seniors who are assigned hornet row. Students are **NOT** allowed to park near the Ag shop/barn or on the North or West side of campus without permission. A map of the available parking spaces for students can be reviewed in the secondary principal's office and online.

If seniors want to reserve a parking space, they can get a senior parking sticker which displays the parking space number assigned to them. There is no cost for this. Seniors are also able to paint their specifically assigned senior parking spaces for a fee of \$25.00. Painted parking spaces will be allowed only in specific sections on the east side of the building. These locations can be reviewed in the secondary principal's office and online. Seniors must submit an application for a painted spot, submit a drawing of the design, and pay a \$25 fee. Seniors must get approval before painting. At the end of the year, seniors who paint must cover their spot in the designated gray paint.

### **Fines and Towing:**

Parking tickets are given out to vehicles that do not have a permit decal, a temporary pass, or are improperly parked (taking up more than one space or parked in the reserved areas, blocking drive access, etc.) Fines can be paid in the secondary principal's office before and after school and during lunch. If a student gets three or more tickets without paying, their vehicle may be booted or towed at the owner's expense. Students who fail to request a parking decal can be towed after a reasonable time for requesting a parking decal has passed.

Era ISD uses the following tow company: 24 Hour Towing Texas

24 Hour Towing Texas  
Gainesville, TX  
940-226-0204

### **Expectations/Understanding:**

Students are to exercise the utmost caution driving in the school parking areas and must observe the maximum speed of 10 MPH. Students are expected to follow all one-way signs, arrows, and stop signs. Student drivers or passengers who endanger the safety of themselves or others will be subject to disciplinary action, which may include the loss of driving or parking privileges on campus. Permission to park may be revoked for abuse of specified rules. There is not a right of way in the parking lot. Students should drive slowly, look for oncoming vehicles, and be aware of their surroundings as they back up or pull forward out of a parking spot. Era is a closed campus and students are not allowed to leave during the school day unless they have permission from school administration to travel to NCTC or work programs. Students who do not follow the parking expectations are subject to lose their parking privileges at Era ISD.

A student assumes responsibility for damages to his/her vehicle while parked on school property or at a school function. Student vehicles parked on school property are under the jurisdiction of the school. Students have full responsibility for the security of their vehicles and must make certain they are locked or that the keys are not given to others. Students will be held responsible for any prohibited objects such as tobacco, alcohol, drugs, and weapons and will be subject to disciplinary actions if brought to school. School officials may search any vehicle at any time while on school property if reasonable suspicion exists.

#### Additional Parking Regulations:

- Cars are to be parked in front-end position and only take up one parking spot
- Moving your vehicle around the parking lot during school hours is not permitted.
- Students need to enter the building once they arrive at school and leave the parking lot when school is dismissed. Loitering in or around the parking lot is not permitted.
- Students are not allowed to go to their cars during passing periods or during lunch break without a pass from the front office.
- District employees should be treated with respect at all times. District employees will be assisting in the enforcement of our parking regulations.
- Students must have a valid driver's license and not just a permit to be eligible to drive to school.

- Students must keep the school principal's office updated with current insurance and license plate numbers.

### **Regulations for Senior's Painting a Senior Spot:**

Seniors are provided the opportunity to paint their spot for a fee of \$25. Seniors will need to submit drawing proposals to the secondary principal's office for approval BEFORE painting is started. All designs must adhere to SCOC (Student Code of Conduct) expectations. Parking spots will be monitored and photographed to ensure standards and expectations are being met.

When painting a spot, seniors must use latex paint. No oil base paint is allowed. Seniors must paint over the spot at the end of the school year. Seniors must use latex, gray colored paint to cover their design at the end of the year. A notice will be sent to students who paint in the spring and when it will need to be completed from the secondary principal's office. If it is not done by that date provided, you will be fined \$50 and student records will be held. You will not receive your diploma until all fines are paid.

The following are the specific requirements for painting a spot:

- You are only allowed to paint the area described in the picture below.
- All fees and paperwork need to be turned in to the secondary principal's office prior to painting.
- There are no refunds once you have paid the fee and have received approval.