

GRANT PROGRAM PROCEDURES

According to Section 10-9 of the Palm Beach County Code (Code) funds deposited into the driver education safety trust fund shall be made available for disbursement to “eligible” non-public schools as part of the grant program. Eligible is defined in the Code as non-public elementary schools, middle schools, and high schools that offer driver education instruction.

As defined in Interlocal Agreement R2003-0508, as may be amended, between the School Board of Palm Beach County, Florida (SBPBC) and Palm Beach County, non-public schools refer to elementary schools, middle schools, and high schools within Palm Beach County that are not operated by the SBPBC.

- As grant administrator for the program, SBPBC will advertise the availability of program funding to non-public schools, accept applications for the program, determine eligibility as stated below, and disburse funds to approved applicants. The grant program application and procedures will be open from September 1st – September 30th every year
Please email Eric Stern at eric.stern@palmbeachschools.org to set up a meeting.
- All non-public school students will continue to be eligible to attend driver education programs offered as part of the SBPBC summer school program.

Eligibility Criteria for Non-Public Schools

1. Non-public schools’ applicant must be a not-for profit organization.
 2. Grant applicant non-public school must use the funds to enhance driver education programs.
 3. The grant applicant’s number of years of administering a driver education program, number of students served, and the grant applicant’s safety record for this program will be considered.
 4. As per interlocal agreements The Palm Beach Safety Council would provide the “Behind the Wheel” driving program to non-public schools approved for the grant. Another driving school can be selected based upon the approval from the Dori Slosberg Foundation.
 5. SBPBC sends recommended grant applications to the Board of the County Commissioner for review. Upon approval, the SBPBC will disburse a per pupil pro rata share of the quarterly revenues to the approved non-public school, as monies are received from Palm Beach County.
 6. The grant applicant must adhere to the content outlined in the state of Florida’s high school course descriptions.
- Please contact Eric Stern at the SBPBC at 561-434-7450 or via email at eric.stern@palmbeachschools.org once the driver education program has been established for one school year.