

# TERANG COLLEGE

## STUDENT DRIVER

### POLICY (Student)

#### 1. RATIONALE

- 1.1. Most young drivers are careful, safety conscious and considerate when driving. However, they are one of the most vulnerable road user groups because of their inexperience. Research shows travelling with teenage passengers constitutes an increased risk for young drivers. The reality is:
- in their first year of driving, young people are about three times more likely to be killed or injured than older, more experienced drivers
  - crash risk significantly increases as the number of passengers increases.

In this context, we all have a responsibility to look at all possible ways of improving the safety and well-being of young people when driving vehicles to and from school.

#### 2. AIMS

- 2.1. All directions contained in DET Student Driver Guidelines should be adhered to.
- 2.2. Schools and parents should develop a partnership in their approach to student driving vehicles to school.

#### 3. IMPLEMENTATION

- 3.1. Issues, actions and decisions relating to this policy will take into account Department of Education and Training policies, memos, guidelines and circulars and Government Ministerial Orders and Acts.
- 3.2. It is expected students will drive to and from the College in a safe and responsible manner and adhere to road rules.
- 3.3. *Students can only use their vehicle **at the commencement and finish of the day so must not use their vehicle during the school day.***
- 3.4. A personal vehicle cannot be used for excursions or any other College activity.
- 3.5. Under no circumstances are passengers to be carried, to and from school, at any time unless they are siblings. To carry sibling passengers a Use of Personal Vehicle form must be endorsed by the Principal and Senior Co-ordinator.
- 3.6. Car make and registration details must be recorded on the endorsed Use of Personal Vehicle form.
- 3.7. The College reserves the right to 'hold student keys' during the day to ensure compliance.
- 3.8. If these requirements are disregarded, parents will be notified and appropriate student sanctions will apply.
- 3.9. If the College becomes aware a student driver has broken road rules or driven in an unsafe or irresponsible manner, police will be notified.
- 3.10. Students must adhere to the parking instructions. Students are required to park only in 'The Parade' street only.
- 3.11. If students fail to follow instructions offered by staff, that particular student will be required to hand their keys into the Senior Coordinator ASAP.

#### 4. EVALUATION

- 4.1. This policy will be reviewed as part of the College three-year review cycle.

*Approved by College Council on 20/08/2018*