

AP 235 – DRIVER EDUCATION

Background

The Division will provide eligible students with a program that focuses on the safe and competent operation of motor vehicles.

The Division will provide Driver Education to all qualifying students at no additional charge.

Driving is a privilege, not a right. Enrollment in Driver Education is a programming privilege for students.

Alberta students have no regulatory obligation to complete a Driver Education for any other reason than to save insurance dollars. Saskatchewan School Divisions are obligated to offer Driver Education through the schools.

All Alberta and Saskatchewan students are provided with the educational opportunity to enroll in Driver Education as part of programming in Holy Rosary High School.

A Saskatchewan student must complete Driver Education to qualify for the privilege to drive or obtain a class 5 driver's license. This requirement may be achieved by completing one (1) of the following:

- ◆ The program may be delivered through Holy Rosary High School at no charge, or
- ◆ Separate from the Division by a Saskatchewan registered driver training school for a fee assessed directly to the parent.

Procedures

1. Students may enroll in the fall instructional session if their fifteenth (15) birthday occurs on or before December 31, or the spring session if their fifteenth (15) birthday occurs on or before March 31 of the same school year.
2. Students are required to complete thirty (30) sessions of in-class instruction and six (6) in-car sessions.
3. Scheduling
 - 3.1 In-class sessions are scheduled between 8 am and 12 noon until the thirty (30) sessions are complete.
 - 3.2 In-car sessions are scheduled on an individual basis throughout the school day. However, exceptions are arranged on occasion during non-school days and hours at the mutual convenience of both the instructor and student.

4. Attendance
 - 4.1 Students must attend all sessions to complete the course except in extenuating circumstances recognized by school attendance procedures.
 - 4.2 Tardiness may result in suspension from the program requiring the student to repeat the program.
5. The Division contracts Driver Education services or employs a provincially registered Driving Education Instructor, approved by the Director.
6. Student registration will be accepted through Holy Rosary High School office following the first day of school each August. The list of registered students will be provided to the Driver Education Instructor.
7. The Driver Education Instructor shall complete and submit all facility and programming arrangements through the school office, including the dates and times for all instruction, scheduling use of a classroom, AV equipment requirements, etc.
8. While the Driver Education Instructor is primarily responsible for delivering the Driver Education instruction, the primary responsibility of the program remains with the Principal of Holy Rosary High School.

Reference: Sections 85, 87, 108, 109, 189 Education Act
Regulations 53, 54, 55, 56
Driver Education Administration Handbook