Leilehua High School

Driver Education Classroom and BTW Policies and Rules

Program

The course consists of 40 hours of classroom instruction, 6 hours of laboratory in-person instruction (behind-the-wheel), and 6-12 hours of observation in a driver education car.

Purpose

The goal of the mandatory driver education program is to make teenagers better and safer drivers before they get behind the wheel of a car alone or with their friends.

Schedule

Classroom instruction days will be on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2:45 – 4:15 pm in room P25 with Mr. Sevilla (fall session) and in room 18 with Mr. Olivas (winter session). Students who enter after 2:45 pm and/or exit before class is dismissed at 4:15 pm will be marked absent. Absences from the classroom and behind-the-wheel sessions will not be tolerated (extenuating circumstances like a medical emergency, funeral, etc. must be authorized by administration) and can result in non-certification and the student will be dropped immediately from the class. Any authorized absences will be made up in the NEXT class session (December-March or September - December). It is estimated that behind-the-wheel sessions will conclude prior to the end of the semester. In this phase, an attempt will be made to schedule students in a mutually acceptable time slot. However, since the schedule is usually very tight, students should not make any commitments that will interfere with scheduled behind-the-wheel sessions.

Certification

40 hours of classroom instruction and 6 hours of behind-the-wheel training are minimum requirements for certification. This is a non-curriculum, afterschool course and no academic credit is granted. However, if the minimum requirements are met and performance is satisfactory, a certificate will be awarded to the student. This course alone does not qualify the student for a driver's license.

Student - Parent Obligations

Since behind-the-wheel instruction is limited to 12 hours with the instructor, students are expected to practice driving skills under the supervision of parents. Students are required to complete 50 guided hours of driving with a licensed driver (must be at least 21 years old) for license certification. It is recommended that the students practice the skills learned from the behind-the-wheel sessions. If the student does not get regular practice at home, there will be no improvement and lessons can be postponed. Regular attendance to both class and behind-the-wheel sessions are mandatory. Absences from the classroom or driving activities will subject the student to non-certification. Students are expected to adhere to the schedule for behind-the-wheel training as determined by the instructor.

Fee and Refunds

A fee of \$10 is charged and must be submitted on the first day of class. Refunds for dropping the course or for non-attendance will not be honored after the first class session. This forfeited fee will not be counted towards subsequent re-enrollment into this program.

Fall driver education class session: 9/18/23 - 12/11/23

Winter driver education class session: 12/11/23 - 3/7/24