

Dear Parents/Guardians and Students Interested in Driving to School:

Joplin Schools strives to promote a safe and orderly environment for its students. Joplin High School has developed a student parking policy to increase measures of safety and well being of students and to strengthen school security.

All vehicles, including motorcycles and scooters, parked on school property must be registered with the school. Parking spaces for the school year will be available to each student with a valid driver's license, with seniors receiving the first opportunity to purchase parking permits. Each applicant must meet all eligibility requirements in order to receive a parking permit. To be eligible, an applicant:

- Must meet Missouri legal requirements for licensing, insurance and registration of the vehicle to be parked on school grounds;
- Must possess a valid driver's license;
- Must first pay off all outstanding school fines and fees;

To keep from having their parking privileges suspended or revoked students:

- Must keep all fines and fees paid
- Must be punctual and have good attendance. (Eight (8) unexcused late arrivals, tardy to classes, skipped classes and unexcused absences, or any combination thereof, will be grounds for revocation of parking privileges.)
- Must adhere to all parking and driving regulations as well as school rules and regulations. School administration reserves the right to suspend or revoke a student's parking privileges as they deem necessary.

The cost to park during the school year will be \$20.00. The parking fee is non-refundable. Applications will be accepted starting on the day that your student is scheduled to pick up their laptop. After that, permits will be sold in the second floor Principal's office (C316) on a first come, first served basis to any eligible student.

When making application, eligible students must present the following:

- A "Student Parking Application" form. **The form will not be accepted unless it is completely filled out and signed by both the student and a parent/guardian.**
- A valid Driver's License;
- Proof of insurance for the vehicle being registered;
- \$20 cash or check. Make checks payable to Joplin High School. When paying in cash, please have the exact amount.

Parking and driving violations, including parking without a valid parking permit, will be subject to tickets and/or school discipline. Violators may be issued a ticket with a \$10 fine for the first offense a \$20 fine for the second offense, and a \$30 fine for the third and subsequent offenses. The third offense may result in the student's parking permit being revoked. For students who park on school property without a valid permit, the third and any subsequent violations may result in their vehicle being towed at the owner's expense.

**Parking/Driving Regulations** Students will be required to adhere to the following driving/parking regulations of Joplin High School and must also obey all City of Joplin traffic laws while on school grounds, driving around school grounds and *while at any Joplin Schools sanctioned event*. **Please read these regulations carefully.**

1. All student vehicles parked on school grounds must display a valid parking permit (hang tag). The permit is to be displayed from your rearview mirror so that the permit number faces outward and is clearly visible and readable through the windshield of your car while parked on campus. Hang tags are transferable from one vehicle to another when the purchasing student has more than one vehicle; however the registered owner of the permit is responsible for any citations issued to this permit number. Students MAY NOT duplicate, share, resell, trade, loan, or give away an assigned parking permit to anyone. This will result in the voiding of the parking permit.
2. Students may only park in parking spaces in areas designated for student parking. Students may not park on the school's roadways, driveways, in intersections, in the grass, or in any other place.
3. Loitering in or around the parking lots will not be permitted. All persons should leave their vehicles and report to the building upon arrival and leave promptly at dismissal.
4. Students are not allowed to go to their vehicles at any time during the school day unless the student is signing out and leaving campus. Written permission to go to vehicles for other reasons may only be granted by administration, and only in cases of emergency. Violators will be subject to a discipline referral and may lose the parking permit for the remainder of the school year.
5. Moving your vehicle from one parking lot to another during school hours is not permitted.
6. Leaving campus without permission (whether driving or not), or transporting another student off campus without permission could result in loss of the parking permit.
7. Students are expected to drive in a safe manner at all times. Vehicles must not travel in excess of 15 M.P.H. on school grounds. Speeding, squealing tires, burning rubber, and reckless driving in general, on campus, in the parking lot, or on the streets surrounding school grounds, will not be permitted.
8. Drivers are expected to follow all directional signage as designated in the parking lots and on the City streets (e.g. one-way, stop, etc).
9. Students may not drive across grass, or concrete buffers.
10. All pedestrians have the right-of-way at all times.
11. Students should not engage in any behaviors that would cause (or potentially cause) damage to another student's vehicle, or behaviors that could potentially result in injury to themselves or another individual. In cases of such behavior(s), the driver(s) and all participants may have driving privileges revoked for the remainder of the school year.
12. Music should be played so that it CANNOT be heard outside the vehicle.
13. Joplin Schools is not responsible for damages to or theft from vehicles. Students are cautioned NOT to leave valuables in their vehicles. Parked vehicles should be left with windows closed and doors locked.
14. Parking lot attendants are employees of, or volunteers for Joplin Schools and should be treated with respect at all times. Parking lot attendants will be assisting in the enforcement of the parking regulations for JHS. Student drivers will follow their directions at all times.
15. School officials may search any vehicle owned or operated by a student on school grounds at any time without notice, without student consent, and without a search warrant if they have reasonable suspicion that there is evidence of a crime, infraction of a school rule, or contraband in the vehicle.
16. Any behavior or item prohibited in school (including, but not limited to, weapons, alcohol and tobacco products) is also prohibited in district parking lots and in vehicles on district property. Any illegal contraband/materials discovered in vehicles on school campus may result in automatic revocation of parking privileges for the remainder of the school year. The registered student driver is responsible for all contents found inside their vehicle.

# JOPLIN HIGH SCHOOL

## Student Parking Application

Eligible students must completely fill out the Student Parking Application, sign it, and have parents/guardians sign the form. Incomplete forms will not be accepted. When making application, the form should be presented along with your valid Driver's License, proof of insurance, and \$20 cash or check.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID#: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Student Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Vehicle Color: \_\_\_\_\_ Vehicle Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Vehicle Make/Model: \_\_\_\_\_

License Plate #: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Signatures below indicate that both the parent/guardian and student have read and understand the rules and regulations regarding safe vehicle operation and parking at Joplin High School. Student agrees to abide by the rules and regulations and we understand that failure to do so will result in disciplinary action and the possible suspension/revocation of parking privileges. We understand that in order to receive and keep a parking permit, the student applicant must pay all outstanding fines and fees, and must maintain punctuality and good attendance. We also understand that the permit fee is non-refundable.

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

<u>OFFICE USE ONLY</u>		
Driver's License _____	Approved _____	Denied _____
Insurance _____	Payment Amount \$ _____	
Fines/Fees Paid _____	Cash / Check # _____	
		Permit # _____