

Timberlane Regional High School
Driver's Education Program
36 Greenough Rd.,
Plaistow, N.H 03865

Dear Parent/Guardian:

The following is some general information which will help make your teenagers learning-to-drive experience the most effective. State of New Hampshire law requires that students enrolled in Driver's Education be 16 years old at the end of the course, spend 30 hours in class, 10 hours behind the wheel, and observe others' driving for 6 additional hours under the supervision of a driving instructor. The State also requires 40 hours of documented practice with a licensed parent/guardian in addition to the roadwork that they will complete in the Driver Education Program.

We would like to encourage you to practice as much as possible with your son/daughter. You will be given a *Parent's Survival Guide* to help with this practice, as well as a New Hampshire Driving log for the required 40 hours—ten of which must be night driving (30 minutes after sunset—30 minutes before sunrise). This practice is ESSENTIAL to your young adult's development as a driver. We have found that if restricted to just the 10 hours of road instruction that our program provides, most students cannot master the driving skills required to obtain a license. This practice time is most effective if your son/daughter receives practice for each new skill as it is introduced during class. In order to practice driving, N.H. law requires the operator to be at least 15 ½ years of age and be accompanied in the *front seat* by a licensed NH driver who is at least 25 years old. Your son/daughter should carry a copy of their birth certificate whenever they are driving, and we'll need a copy to carry with us in the driver's education cars. There are no "learner permits" in NH, and these guidelines are applicable only in New Hampshire. Most insurance companies will cover this practice time; however, we recommend that you contact your insurance agent prior to initiating their roadwork.

There is a MANDATORY parent(s) meeting prior to the beginning of each new course. At this meeting, you will be given an information booklet to assist you in instructing your son/daughter; the out-of class log sheet; and other general information on how the class is structured. There will also be an opportunity for you to ask any questions you might have. Information regarding day and time of this meeting may be found on the Timberlane Regional High School website at www.timberlanehs.com/driversed.html

Thank you for allowing us to participate in this exciting time of your teenager's life.

The Driver's Education Staff.

Timberlane Regional High School Driver's Education Program Registration Form

Contact: Robert Ashley
Robert.ashley@timberlane.net
382-6541 ext. 3760

Completed Application Date/Time:
Date: _____ Time: _____

DOB: _____ Received by: _____

Please only return completed applications:

1. Application form (this page)
2. Health information and Rules/parental permission (next page)
3. Parental permission form (page 4)
4. Copy of student's birth certificate
5. Check for \$100, payable to TRSD. Balance of payment—\$ 400—is due at the first class.

General Information.

Student's First name
Initial
Last Name

Mailing Address

Street Address (if different)

Home Phone Number
Grade
Date of Birth

Parent Contact Name
Contact's Day Phone No.
Student's Cell No.

Requirements Checklist:

		Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri		Yes	No
If you prefer an upcoming class, note it here.		Please circle days you can drive after school.						Can you drive Saturdays?	

Attendance Office—Verification of minimum GPA (1.5 in **previous quarter**), and free period.

GPA (last quarter)
Free Period
Signature

Nurse's Office—Eye Exam (or attach a document from your eye care professional).

Near
Far
Contacts?
Glasses?
Color Blind?
Signature

Completed forms must be returned to the Assistant Principal's Office—Please attach a check and copy of your birth certificate. Courses are filled in the order that forms are returned, so don't delay!

Timberlane Regional High School Driver's Education Program Health Information Sheet **Confidential**

Student's Full Name

Parent/Guardian Name

Parent/Guardian Daytime Phone

Hearing Difficulties	Yes	No	Use of an Epi-Pen	Yes	No
Vision Problems	Yes	No	Epilepsy	Yes	No
Diabetes	Yes	No	Fainting Spells	Yes	No
Heart Trouble	Yes	No	Paralysis	Yes	No
Orthopedic Problems	Yes	No	Cerebral Palsy	Yes	No
Chronic Illness	Yes	No	Asthma	Yes	No

Other Health Issues (Please describe):

Is the student taking any medication regularly? Yes No

If yes, please list any side effects:

Does your son/daughter have any specific learning problems (including difficulty reading) that might hinder his/her progress or limit participation in classroom or in-car activities? Yes No If yes, please explain:

Does your son/daughter have an Individualized Education Program (IEP)? Yes No

If your son/daughter has an IEP, may he have access to the file? Yes No

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

_____ Please check if you would like to discuss any of this information with Driver's Ed. Staff.

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Rules/Permission Form

Upcoming classes are listed on the TRHS website at www.timberlanehs.com/driversed. Please consult this list for the dates/times of upcoming classes, and the mandatory parents meeting. Note that most classes sizes are limited. Order of registration is determined by postmark or signature verification on the front of the registration form—you will be called as class starting dates approach.

Rules/Regulations:

1. The State of New Hampshire requires that all students be 16 by the last class session.
2. Students must complete all forms and paperwork prior to registering for the course. These forms verify the student's GPA (minimum 1.5 in the prior quarter), vision (20/40 or better), and health information. Parent signatures are required.
3. Students agree to attend all classes, and be prompt.
4. The State of New Hampshire has a limit of four (4) hours of missed class time. The fifth hour of class time will result in a failing or incomplete grade—no exceptions.
5. Students may miss no more than two classes, and should seek out the instructor for make-up work if a class is missed. A third absence will result in a failing grade and no refund.
6. Students must comply with school rules as outlined in the TRHS *Student Handbook*.
7. Driving lessons are scheduled in advance, and schedules are posted near the front office. Students must notify the instructor of a session they will miss, or pay a driving fee of \$30. Cancellation of driving lessons should be made 24 hours in advance—you will be given contact information for the instructors. If you are absent from school, there will be no fee—Parents: please mention your driving time when calling in the student's absence.
8. Classes and driving may be cancelled due to bad weather or other unforeseen circumstances. If school is cancelled for the day due to weather, so is class and driving time that day. Instructors will detail schedules for other scheduled days off, such as teacher workshop days, elections, etc.
9. All students are required to successfully complete ten (10) hours of driving and six (6) hours of observation with a driver's education instructor.
10. Students must successfully complete the class requirements—your grade.
11. Students must complete and document an additional forty (40) hours of driving time, and submit records for these hours to the state (details will be given in class and at the parent meeting). A minimum of ten of these hours must be at night; defined as thirty minutes after sunset to thirty minutes before sunrise.
12. No student will be given a "green card" (which verifies successful completion of the course to the State Department of Safety) unless all fees have been paid in full, textbooks returned, and all class/driving requirements completed.
13. "Green Cards" will be mailed—please be patient. This process is usually complete within one week of the completion of the course.
14. No food/drinks other than water are allowed in the classrooms.
15. Students arriving more than five (5) minutes late are considered absent.

Don't forget the next page of this form, and the signatures required!

The following is required prior to registration:

The signature of the parties below certifies that the following is true. If there is any reason you cannot verify the following, please contact the Driver's Education staff, or the TRHS Assistant Principal/Director of Alternative and Continuing Education.

- To the best of my knowledge, he/she has no disabilities which would interfere with the safe operation of an automobile.
- The driving privileges of the student are not currently under suspension and/or revocation in the State of New Hampshire or any other state.
- There are no pending legal actions that may cause the student to lose his/her driving privileges in the future due to suspension/revocation.
- I agree to report any change to the student's driving privilege status immediately.
- I have read, understand, and agree to abide by the Driver Education rules.

I _____, give permission for my son/daughter,

_____ to take Driver Education at Timberlane Regional High School, and to pay all required fees, which are non-refundable.

Signatures:

Parent/Guardian: _____

Date: _____

Student: _____

Date: _____

Please attach:

- Deposit, in the form of a check or money order for \$100, made out to "TRSD". Checks will be cashed immediately. Deposit is refundable (expect an approximate two week delay for processing). Balance of payment (\$400) is payable the first day of class. **Total driver's ed fee \$500.00.**
- A copy of the student's birth certificate (state law requires us to have this in the car when your son/daughter drives).

Completed applications should be returned to the Assistant Principals' Office.