



ST JOSEPH'S NUDGEЕ COLLEGE

STUDENT DRIVING

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2 Student Driving Policy and Procedure

This policy applies to all students at Nudgee College, both Day and Boarding students. It applies to those driving and to passengers in vehicles driven by students.

Driving a car is an inherently dangerous activity. The research and statistics indicate that young people are very much over represented in serious motor vehicle accidents and fatalities. The risks for driving and travelling in a vehicle are often underrated given it is a daily activity. Tragically each year, some schools have students involved in very serious accidents involving student drivers, particularly if inexperience and youthful exuberance combined with passengers in vehicles driven by only recently licensed drivers results serious misjudgement.

We regard driving to and from school daily, and the use of cars by students as a privilege and a very significant responsibility.

Day Students may drive to and from school if they have provided written permission (as per our Form - Addendum B) from their parents to the Director of Students.

Boarders may have a car on the Campus only if they have provided written permission (as per our Form - Addendum A) to the Dean of Boarding from their parents.

Passengers must have written permission to travel in cars (as per our Form - Addendum C). We assume that siblings may travel as a passenger with their older brother or sister without written permission, unless directed otherwise by parents.

WITHDRAWAL OF DRIVING PRIVILEGES

The privilege of the use of a car can be withdrawn from day students or Boarders at any time if a student:

- is not deemed to be honouring the expectations of this policy
- carries passengers without the mandatory parental and school permissions
- is observed by a staff member to be driving dangerously or without due care at any time
- parents wish to withdraw their permission

GENERAL PRINCIPLES FOR ALL STUDENTS

PERMISSION

The school requires that parents give permission for their child to drive. Parents should not feel obliged to give this permission and they should be confident that many parents either do not grant permission or they place additional constraints on vehicle usage by their children.

The school reviews each request on merits and does not automatically accept submitted permission forms.

PASSENGERS

We are very concerned about the safety aspects of young drivers balancing the responsibilities of driving a car and being aware of their passengers.

For this reason, passengers require parental permission (as per our Form - Addendum C). We do not require formal permission to be submitted for siblings to travel as a passenger in their sibling's car.

MOTORCYCLES

Given the significant risk and high rate of incidents on our roads, the school does not recommend that day students travel to and from school on a motorbike under any circumstances.

Permission is never granted to Boarders to ride or travel as a passenger on a motorbike whether during the day, weekend or after hours.

TRAVEL DURING THE SCHOOL DAY

Students are not to use their cars during the school day, except when they are in Year 12 and have specific permission that allows them to leave the school as approved.

Students may not drive in their cars to school events such as sporting carnivals or camps under any circumstance unless permission has been granted from the Dean of Students or the Dean of Boarding upon communication with parents.

PARKING

There is limited on street parking in the school vicinity. Day students should park with careful adherence to signed guidance and other laws or by-laws. When parking on campus, students must park in the car park of the Flats Parking Area.

BOARDERS - SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

Boarders and parents should note that Nudgee College Transport provides buses to transport students to sporting and co-curricular activities. Staff are also available to transport students to any approved appointments and the school prefers these transport methods, rather than students driving themselves.

Permission to drive may be granted to any Students who hold a valid Drivers Licence with the following conditions:

1. The vehicle may be used to travel to and from home.
2. The vehicle may be used to transport other students with written permission from both parties. i.e. permission to carry passengers and permission to be a passenger (note., that full compliance with restrictions relating to passengers for those on Probationary Licenses is mandatory).
3. Vehicles may never be used to store substances that are prohibited at Nudgee College and within the Boarding Houses(including alcohol or firearms).
4. Vehicles may only be driven in a sensible manner on campus, when entering and exiting the campus and at all other times. The vehicle may only enter and exit via Gate 1 - Edmund Rice Way and may not be driven anywhere else on campus.
5. There is a limited number of parking spaces around the school Campus. Some parking locations are dedicated for school and staff vehicles and **must not** be used by students.
6. The vehicle must be fully insured. The School holds no responsibility for damage and/or theft whilst the car is on school grounds or beyond.
7. The school is very willing to support additional expectations or limitations on students at the request of parents. Note that this is common. For example, some parents only allow the car to be used for travel to and from their home, never with passengers or never when dark.
8. Boarders - keys must be handed to the Head of Boarding House upon arrival at school on all occasions. Keys will be locked in the relevant Boarding House office and only accessible via a Boarding Staff member.

APPLICATION TO ALLOW BOARDER'S VEHICLE ON CAMPUS

ADDENDUM A

Applicant's Name (Parent/Guardian):
Student's Name:

Boarding House:	<input type="checkbox"/> COTTER
	<input type="checkbox"/> HODDA
	<input type="checkbox"/> MURPHY

I/We request permission for _____ to bring a vehicle to the College and leave it on campus when not in use. We understand that this permission is a privilege, granted for a **particular need** and subject to specific conditions (listed below) which may be withdrawn by the College if those conditions are not met.

REASON FOR STUDENT TO BRING AND KEEP A VEHICLE AT THE COLLEGE (PLEASE TICK):
<input type="checkbox"/> Student needs to attend off campus sporting activities for which the College does not provide transport
<input type="checkbox"/> Student needs own transport to and from home
<input type="checkbox"/> Other specific need not covered above (please describe):

Vehicle Make and Model:	Colour:	Rego No.:
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CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH THIS PRIVILEGE IS GRANTED:

1. Permission is granted by the Dean of Boarding.
2. There will be **one (1)** set of keys to the vehicle on campus.
3. These keys will be given to and remain in the keeping of the student's Head of Boarding House. When the student needs to use the vehicle he obtains permission to do so and the keys from his Head of Boarding House.
4. Permission to use the vehicle and the keys can only be obtained from the Head of Boarding House.
5. The vehicle is to be used only for the purpose stated in this application. At no time is the vehicle to be driven within the College grounds unless to or from the designated parking area.
6. When not in use the vehicle must be parked in the designated parking area (Flats Carpark).
7. No other Nudgee College student is ever to be given use of the vehicle.
8. No Nudgee College student is ever to be a passenger in the vehicle without the express and particular permission of both the driver's and the passenger's Heads of Boarding House. This permission can only be given on the basis of written permission from the student's parent/guardian. No general permission for this purpose will be given.
9. At all times the vehicle is to be driven with due care and in accordance with the Traffic Laws and Regulations of the State of Queensland and the designated speed limits on campus.

DECLARATION

I/we am/are in a position to assure the College that our son understands these conditions and is aware that the privilege may be forfeited if they are not fulfilled.

Applicant's Name (Parent/Guardian):	Signature:	Date:
Student's Name:	Signature:	Date:
Head of Boarding House:	Signature:	Date:
Dean of Boarding:	Signature:	Date:



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APPLICATION TO DRIVE AND PARK VEHICLE ON CAMPUS

ADDENDUM B

Student's Name:

PC Group:

1 Vehicle Make and Model:

Colour:

Rego No.:

2 Vehicle Make and Model:

Colour:

Rego No.:

3 Vehicle Make and Model:

Colour:

Rego No.:

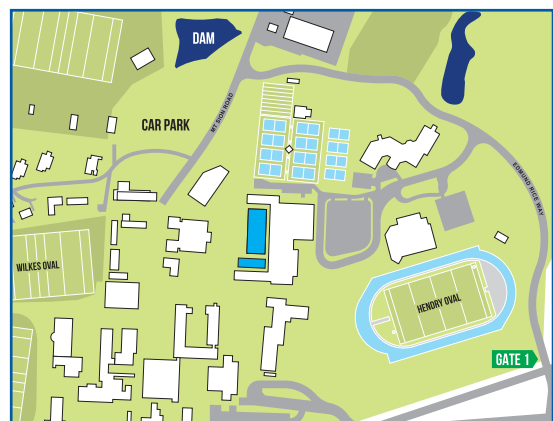
CONDITIONS FOR DRIVING TO SCHOOL AND PARKING ON CAMPUS:

1. Parking – Students must park in the car park on the **Flats parking area** after entering the College via the Gate 1 entrance, travelling along Edmund Rice Way to the allocated Car Park at the Flats.
2. Students are not permitted to visit their car through the school day without permission from the student office.
3. Students are not permitted to have passengers (other than siblings) in the car.
4. Students must adhere to all speed limits and traffic conditions while on the campus.

Failure to meet any one of these conditions will mean that your son with your support will not be permitted to drive to school. The College appreciates the fact that you will support the College should he breach the above conditions and stop him driving his car. I believe that this partnership will ensure that he is safe and focused when driving.

In acknowledgement of these conditions your son and yourself will need to sign the agreement below and return it to the College. Please include the registration numbers and descriptions of any vehicles that you son might be driving to school and keep the Student Office updated with any changes to the vehicles listed.

Students need to return the form to the student office and make an appointment to see Mr Sean Toovey, Director of Students who will call the parent for a brief discussion and approval. Permission to drive and park on campus will not be granted until these discussions have taken place.



DECLARATION

I agree to the conditions for driving to school and parking on campus as described in this application form.

Student's Name:

Signature:

Date:

Parent/Guardian:

Signature:

Date:

OFFICE USE ONLY:

Approved: YES NO

Director of Students:

Signature:

Date:



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PERMISSION TO TRAVEL AS A PASSENGER IN A STUDENT CAR

ADDENDUM C

APPLICATION TO BE MADE BY PARENT / GUARDIAN

Student's Name:		PC Group:
I wish for my son to travel to and from school in a car being driven by:		
Student's Driver's Name:		PC Group:
Parent/Guardian Name:	Signature:	Date:
Student's Name:	Signature:	Date:

STUDENT DRIVER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

In addition to the above application made by my Parent(s) / Guardian, I understand that:

- Lateness for school may affect my driver permission status where patterns of lateness occur
- I am accountable to the school for my behaviour, always, including as a driver
- If driving, I am not permitted under any circumstances to carry student passengers who do not have school and parental approval to travel with me.

I have supplied the school with a photocopy of my valid Driver's License and below are my registration details. My signature below indicates that I understand and will comply with each of the conditions above.

Student's Driver's Name:		PC Group:
Vehicle Make and Model:	Colour:	Rego No.:
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