

RTR PUBLIC SCHOOLS

DRIVER EDUCATION INFORMATION & SCHEDULE

RTR Public Schools is offering the classroom portion of driver education beginning in March 2012. The session is 9 classes in length, and will be held from 3:45 – 7:15 PM on the following dates: March 13 – 16 & March 19 – 23. All classes will be held at RTR High School in Tyler, MN. Classes are contingent on having 10 students registered and paid for the class.

Enrollment for this session is limited to the first 22 students registered and paid. Deadline to register is February 24, 2012. Behind the wheel instruction will be scheduled at the conclusion of the 2011-2012 school year.

Prerequisites for enrolling in the spring classroom driver education session:

- You must be 15 years old as of July 15, 2012.
- Priority is given to the current freshmen class, followed by students attending RTR Schools.

Class Cost

- \$250 for students attending RTR (includes both classroom and behind-the-wheel instruction)
- \$300 for students not attending RTR (includes both classroom and behind-the-wheel instruction)

To the student:

As you enter the world of driving, please accept the fact that driving a vehicle is to be taken seriously and with a tremendous amount of responsibility. Your actions affect not only yourself, but also all highway users.

Driving is a privilege and a major turning point in the lives of teenagers and their parents. The cost of driving, the risks, the pressures, the responsibilities...all speak to the need for a well-trained and educated driver. Driving is not something to learn by trial-and-error. Driving involves skill, knowledge, and most importantly: low-risk driving habits.

- **Class Expectations**

- **You must be in attendance for 30 classroom hours and complete 6 hours of behind-the-wheel training.**
- You need to be on time. Tardiness will not be tolerated.
- All assigned course work must be completed and submitted to the instructor before the completion certificate is issued.
- Effort and behavior reflect your attitude and maturity. The attitude and behavior you display in the classroom will carry over to your attitude and behavior when you get behind the wheel.
- Come prepared to class with a folder, notebook and pen/pencil.
- All students have an equal opportunity to learn. If you disrupt class, your parents will be notified.

Driver Education Checklist

1. Sign up for Driver Education classroom by completing the enclosed registration form & returning it **with payment by February 24, 2012** to:
Superintendent's Office
RTR High School
100 Strong Street
Tyler, MN 56178
2. After successful completion of the classroom portion of Driver Education, student will receive a blue card from the instructor. The blue card should be put somewhere safe where it will be easy to find.
3. After student turns 15 years of age, bring the following:
 1. Blue card - all signatures are required
 2. Certified copy of birth certificate (primary document)
 3. Social Security card, a certified copy of a school transcript, or a valid passport. (secondary document)

to your county Driver's License Bureau (Marshall, Ivanhoe, Pipestone, or Slayton)

Pipestone County
416 Hiawatha Avenue South
Pipestone, MN 56164
507-825-6742

Murray County
2500 28th Street
Slayton, MN 56172
507-836-6148

Lyon County
607 West Main St.
Marshall, MN 56258
507-537-6727

Lincoln County
319 N. Rebecca
Ivanhoe, MN 56142
507-694-1550

*Be sure to call the county office in advance to make arrangements to take the written test.

After taking & passing the test, you will need to complete the application and pay the fee (\$12) at the courthouse to validate your permit. Permit is valid for two years.

4. **After receiving permit**, sign up for Behind the Wheel instruction in the Superintendent's Office (507-247-5913), at RTR High School in Tyler, MN.
5. Upon successful completion of the Behind the Wheel instruction, student will receive a white card from the instructor, making them eligible to take their driver's test when they turn sixteen. **Note: Under Minnesota's graduated licensing rules, the student must have their driving permit for at least 6 months before they are eligible to take the road test for their provisional driver's license.** (exception: Farm Work Drivers License)
6. After student turns 16 years of age, call the county Driver's License Bureau to set up an appointment to take the driver's road test. Student **MUST** show permit and white card at time of test.

RTR PUBLIC SCHOOLS - 507-247-5913
DRIVER EDUCATION REGISTRATION AND CONTRACT

TO REGISTER: Enclose this registration/contract form along with a check or money order payable to RTR High School. Send to: RTR High School, PO Box 659, Tyler, MN 56178, or stop by the Superintendent's Office during business hours. **Full payment must accompany registration and contract by February 24, 2012.** **Registration and payment is required for registration in this program.**

Student's legal name as it appears on your birth certificate:

Last _____ First _____ Middle _____

Parent(s) name _____

Student's date of birth _____ School Attending _____

Home address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Home Phone # _____ Parent cell or work # _____

Email (student) _____ (parent) _____

Class dates: March 13 – 16 & March 19 – 23

PACKAGE FEE INCLUDES CLASSROOM AND BEHIND THE WHEEL INSTRUCTION
(payable to RTR High School):

- **\$250 for students attending RTR**
- **\$300 for students not attending RTR**

Students who don't show up for scheduled behind the wheel driving appointments will be charged \$20 per missed appointment. Cancellations must be made at least 24 hours in advance.

If a student withdraws from the driver ed program after attending five or fewer classroom sessions, the maximum amount that will be refunded will be 50%. After attending six or more classroom sessions, a refund is not allowed.

According to the MN Dept. of Public Safety's Rules for Driver Education:

1. A student must receive a minimum of 30 hours of classroom instruction, with no more than three hours of class per day.
2. A minimum of 6 hours of laboratory instruction (behind-the-wheel) is required, with no more than 2 hours per day. Observation time does not count as lab instruction time.
3. Students must be at least 14 years old before they begin their first day of classroom instructional training.

This agreement/contract constitutes an agreement/contract between the program and the student/parent and no verbal statements or promises will be recognized.

We agree to the following terms and conditions described above:

Student Signature: _____ Date _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date _____

Authorized program official: _____ Date _____