

## Community Relations

**MOUNT PLEASANT COTTAGE SCHOOL UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT****SUBJECT: RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE OPERATION OF STUDENT/STAFF MOTOR VEHICLES ON SCHOOL GROUNDS**

For the purpose of safety and control, the Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District establishes the following rules and regulations regarding the operation of motor vehicles on school property. Students and staff will be required to adhere to the rules and regulations and the administrative procedures as outlined.

- 1) **Parking Areas:** Parking areas for students and staff, as well as areas where parking is restricted, will be designated and so posted. Such areas will be determined by the administration and reviewed annually.
- 2) **Speed Limit:** An appropriate speed limit of 15 miles per hour will be posted by the District.
- 3) **Traffic Flow:** Where necessary, one-way traffic will be posted by the District on those roads that are determined by the administration to be one-way thoroughfares. All other roads will be considered two-way.
- 4) **Vehicle Registration:** All personal motor vehicles belonging to or used by students shall be registered on an annual basis as determined by the administration.
- 5) **District Liability:** It shall be the understanding of all persons who operate a motor vehicle on school property that the Mount Pleasant Cottage School Union Free School District accepts no liability for personal injury or personal property damage or loss. Each person drives and parks at his/her own risk on school property.
- 6) **Control and Enforcement:** The control and enforcement of regulations regarding motor vehicle use on school property shall be the responsibility of the building administration as authorized through the Superintendent by the Board of Education.

Any infractions of the following rules and regulations may result in the suspension of driving privileges.

- 1) All student vehicles must be registered and have the identification tag properly displayed.
- 2) All vehicles must park in the proper areas as posted by the District (i.e., student: student parking areas; staff: staff parking areas). These areas will be identified for the operator at the beginning of the school year or at the time of registration.
- 3) Students will only be allowed to park in the lots designated for student parking.
- 4) Students and staff must obey posted speed limits at all times.

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- 5) Students who drive to school must be on time. Continued tardiness of drivers will be considered a violation of driving privileges.
- 6) Students are not to take their vehicles off school grounds during school hours without prior permission by the administration.
- 7) Speeding, driving in a reckless manner or any other vehicle violation will be considered an infraction of driving regulations.
- 8) Students are not allowed in the parking lots or in cars during school hours (including lunch periods).

The suspension of driving privileges pertains to both the driver and the vehicle. The driver may not drive on school property, and the vehicle will not be allowed on school property, during the suspension period. Owners of unauthorized/unregistered/or illegally parked vehicles will be warned at the first violation. The vehicle will be towed away at the owner's expense at the next violation.

**Student Driving Privileges**

Driving an automobile and parking on school property is a privilege provided for the students. Each student requesting permission to drive a vehicle to school will be required to have his/her parent/guardian sign a statement authorizing the student to drive and to use a specific automobile. The permission slip will incorporate a statement as to the parent/guardian assuming responsibility for any/all riders who may at any time accompany the driver to/from school premises.

Failure to comply with the above-noted procedure, driving and/or parking regulations will be cause for disciplinary action as described in the Student Handbook.