

Obtaining the Driver's Permit:

1. Complete the "Driver Education Contract/Agreement" by uploading to Schoology
2. Complete 30 hours of Driver's Education classroom
 - a. A very limited amount of absences are allowed; all absences must be made up within 60 days.
 - b. Complete all the lessons and assignments inside and outside of class
3. Register and pay for Behind the Wheel (required by the state before the permit test may be taken). If you registered for the ISD 728 "package," Behind the Wheel is included in your registration fee.
4. **Once the instructor has confirmed all coursework and full payment is received, your student will be eligible for the Blue Card. E-Learning students must return the How to Drive textbook to Handke Center in exchange for the Blue Card. In person classroom students will receive the Blue Card on the last day of class. Schedule your class D knowledge test @ drive.mn.gov.**
5. Take the class D knowledge test at a DPS-DVS Exam Station. **Appointments are required.**
 - a. The permit test is 40 multiple-choice questions; score of 80% required to pass.
 - b. Student must be at least 15 years old at the time of testing
 - c. Students must bring 2 forms of ID (see MN Driver's Manual), and a Blue Card
 - d. A legal guardian must accompany the student.
 - e. Must pass an eye exam (bring glasses/contact lenses if needed).

Behind the Wheel

The Behind the Wheel (BTW) program provided by ISD 728 Community Education is designed to expose students to a variety of driving environments and situations while the student gains the required 6 hours of behind the wheel instruction. It is important to continue practicing with your student between driving lessons, as each session will increase in difficulty. Getting your driving career headed in the right direction from the start is very beneficial and early lessons can help.

Scheduling:

1. Once your student has obtained their permit, begin practice driving with your student.
 - a. Log the driving hours on the Supervised Driving Log or use the Road Ready App.
2. Arrange a BTW driving schedule with the instructor of your choice (listed below).
 - a. Plan to schedule BTW at least 3 months (or sooner!) before the student would like to take the license exam.
 - b. In a typical situation, it will take about 4 to 6 weeks to complete all 6 hours of instruction; we do not recommend doing more than one lesson per week.
 - c. Once a schedule is established, stick to it. If you need to cancel you must notify us at least 24 hours before the scheduled lesson. Failure to do so will result in a \$50 'no show' charge. Lessons do not resume until the \$50 is paid. Missing a lesson may seriously delay completion of BTW.
 - d. All lessons must be completed with the same instructor.
 - e. All lessons will begin and end at an ISD 728 school campus - "home base." This allows us to stay efficient and affordable.
3. Once the 6 hours of BTW lessons have been completed, your student will receive the White Card.

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Obtaining the Driver's License

Schedule a Road Test with the DPS-DVS station early at drive.mn.gov; test stations book up fast!

- a. Student must be at least 16 years of age at the time of the road test
- b. Save time at the DPS-DVS station by pre-applying for a Driver's License
- c. Student must hold the permit for at least 6 months
- d. Student must bring 2 forms of ID (see MN Driver's Manual), valid instructional permit, current proof of insurance, White Card, Supervised Driving Log completed and signed
- e. A legal guardian

Additional Information for Parents of Teen Drivers:

Remember that you (the parent) hold the power! A parent can cancel the license of a minor under age 18 at any time. If your young driver is constantly taking unnecessary risks or doing things that endanger themselves or others on the road, you may want to consider this option. Unfortunately, the state does not have a way of assessing attitudes and maturity when a student takes a driving test, but you (the parent) know your child very well. If s/he is not ready to drive, please consider the safety of your child and everyone else sharing the road. This is also a powerful tool that you can use to influence your young driver's behavior in other areas as well. Additional materials are also available at dvs.dps.mn.gov. More information can be found at www.mndriveinfo.org.