

BETHEL PARK HIGH SCHOOL 2018 – 2019 SCHOOL YEAR STUDENT PARKING RULES AND REGULATIONS

For the mutual protection of persons and property, we agree that the driver will abide by the driving rules and regulations of the School District, including these listed below: Only 11th & 12th grade students with a valid PA Driver's License will be permitted to park on campus ALL YEAR for a non-refundable fee of \$50.00 may request a parking permit. Tenth Grade students will have an opportunity to secure a parking pass once all seniors and juniors have filed for application (time to be determined by the principal).

The BPHS Parking Application form must be completed and signed by a parent/guardian using the online form.

- A **non-refundable** registration fee (personal check or money order only, made payable to "Bethel Park High School Activities Fund") is required before a permit will be issued. Lost or Stolen tags must be reported to the Office immediately and replacement tags may be purchased for an additional \$50.00.
- Students must turn in a copy of the owner's card, insurance card, Driver's License, and Passenger List Form, to the Activities Office (located in the cafe) when picking up the parking tag.
- Issuance of parking permits will be strictly limited and dependent on availability of spaces.
- Student drivers must present your Driver's License when you pick up your parking tag.

Students may receive a Parking Permit, ONLY if they:

1. Are enrolled in a school-operated work program that requires an early release.
2. Are enrolled in classes outside of BPHS.
3. Are involved in school activities that require them to arrive early or stay beyond the activity bus departure – verification will be required from Athletic Office, coach and club sponsor.
4. Work immediately after school – employer verification is required.

Parking passes will be revoked for the following reasons

Arriving late to school will result in loss of driving privileges (see Student/Parent Handbook Attendance section). Students are expected to be in homeroom before 7:25 a.m.

- Sharing parking passes with other students.
- Accumulating 10 or more tardies to Homeroom/15 days of absence.
- Leaving school without permission.
- Reckless driving, speeding, riding on hoods, or driving in a manner that is dangerous to oneself or others on school property. These actions are subject to prosecution under the Pennsylvania Motor Vehicle Code.
- Unauthorized passenger(s). All drivers must register their passenger(s) on this Form and obtain the required signature(s) and submit the form to the Activities Office.
- Unauthorized entry into a car during school hours (including lunch periods).
- Excessive or major violations of school regulations.
- Any student who has parked in an unmarked space or location such as YMCA Parking Lot, Teacher's Lot, IMS and streets located near the high school.

- Administrative discretion/School Obligations.

Additional Information:

- Parking Pass must be displayed from the vehicle that you registered. If you drive more than one car, you must register that vehicle as well.
- Forgery of parking passes will result in the student losing their pass and will be assigned to the Saturday Detention (Level II).
- Students are to display parking tags on the rearview mirror. Failure to have the parking tag displayed will result in a warning and will then be followed by the loss of parking privileges which could result in the vehicle being ticketed and/or towed at owner's expense.
- Students are permitted to park ONLY in the stadium parking lot and near the YMCA as indicated by the color of tag, and ONLY in the assigned designated marked spots (parking pass numbers coincide with parking space).
Parking is not permitted at Independence Middle School, Spencer YMCA, pedestrian walkways, reserved spaces or teacher lots (other than in the numbered parking section).
Students found parking in these areas will be disciplined accordingly and will lose parking privileges.
- All requests for early releases must be done prior to the release through the Attendance Office.
- All parking permits, fees, rules and regulations apply to all forms of approved student transportation.
- Two wheel non-motorized vehicles must be parked only in designated/approved spots and must have a valid parking sticker attached to the frame of the vehicle.

Important Changes to Pa. Junior Driver License Holders as of December 24, 2011:

The Pennsylvania Legislature passed and Governor Corbett signed Act 81, of 2011, a new law that institutes changes to the Pa. Vehicle Code involving graduated driver licensing requirements, passenger restrictions for junior drivers and passenger restraint laws. The provisions on of the law took effect December 24, 2011. The changes to the law were initiated to help junior drivers receive more comprehensive training, ease young driver distractions through limiting the number of passengers they may carry and improve general highway safety through improvements to passenger restraint laws. The following changes under Act 81 will pertain to those B.P.H.S. students who have been issued a parking permit. Passenger Restrictions: For the first six months after receiving their junior driver's license, a driver is not permitted to have more than one passenger under the age of 18 who is not an immediate family member in their vehicle unless accompanied by parents or legal guardian. If after the first six months from issuance of the junior driver's license and the junior driver has not been convicted of a driving violation or has been partially or fully responsible for a reportable crash, they may have up to three passengers under 18 who are not family members. In addition, all drivers and passengers must abide by the seat belt laws and be properly restrained.

Driving to School:

In accordance with the new parking locations, students may only enter and park as indicated by the parking pass color. The bright colored pass drivers are to enter the campus off of Church Road and park in the high school lot adjacent to the faculty parking lot (not in the faculty area). The other parking pass drivers are to enter off of Broad Street and park in the assigned space adjacent to the Athletic Stadium. Students may not switch pass locations without proper approval by administration. Failure to abide by the entrance location and designated parking locations will result in a loss of driving privileges and will be issued discipline as identified by the Student/Parent Handbook.

Parents Dropping Off and Picking Up Students to/from School:

Beginning the 2018-2019 school year there will be three approved locations for drop off and pick up of students by Parents/Guardians. The three locations for drop off and pick up are located at Spencer YMCA, Purkey Field and the Athletic Entrance. Black Hawk Drive will be closed to thru traffic during school hours. Black Hawk Drive will be posted by signage that prohibits during the school day thru driving (Bethel Park Police will cite violators).

*Please note that these driving rules and restrictions have been approved by the Bethel Park School Board along with the approval of the Bethel Park Police Department. The rules are in place to keep students as safe as possible.

