

DRIVER EDUCATION

Driver Education - Grades 9-10-11-12

Summer Elective (1/2 Credit) (Tuition Fee Required)

According to Iowa law, any person who applies for a driver's license before age 18 must have successfully completed an approved driver education course. Those completing such a course may apply for an intermediate driver's license on or after their sixteenth birthday. For licensing purposes, driver education is not required for persons 18 years of age or older.

Any student or person who resides in the Storm Lake Community School District is eligible to enroll in this course providing he or she attains the age of 14 on or before the first day of class, obtains an Iowa Driving Permit, and is not older than 21 on or before the last day of class. The course involves forty-two hours of instruction distributed as follows: thirty hours of classroom instruction, six hours of in-the-car observation, and six hours of driving. Any students unwilling or unable to meet the hour requirements of this course will be dropped from the program, as the law is specific as to the number of hours required to satisfactorily complete the course. Anyone failing any phase of the course (classroom/observation/driving) must retake the entire course at a later date in order to receive a passing mark and issuance of a Certificate of Completion. Successful completion of the course earns 1/2 or .5 credit.

Emphasis in the course is placed upon driving attitudes and the knowledge of traffic laws as an essential basis for the development of sound, courteous, law-observing driving. The second part of the course is devoted to road training. During this phase, the student learns to drive by the step-by-step method in a dual brake controlled car.

Driver Education is offered for six weeks starting on or about June 1st. Registration for the summer program is usually held during the month of March each year. The date and time of registration are announced to public and parochial students alike through the use of school announcements and newsletters.