# Driver's Ed Behind the Wheel Wage Increase Recommendation

# **Meridian Board of Education**

# Introduction

The summer school teacher's hourly wage and driver's education behind the wheel wage are listed in the same row on the salary schedule activity differentials matrix at \$25/hour.

# Recommendation

In the interest of consistency with the recommendation to increase the summer school teacher's wage, I recommend the Board of Education increase the driver's education behind the wheel wage to the same amount, \$35/hour. This would apply to both summer school and during the school year.

From a budgetary standpoint, the actual cost to the district varies from year to year based on the number of students who enroll in the course. The table below shows the total number of behind the wheel hours for each of the last 3 years.

Driver's Ed Hours			
	FY25 YTD (3/21/25)	FY24	FY23
Teacher #1	16	167	511
Teacher #2	80	28	0
Teacher #3	113	187	172
Teacher #4	173	56	0
Totals	382	439	683

We project enrollment to remain fairly steady for the foreseeable future, resulting in an expected additional cost of \$4,000-7,000 per year.

# **Enclosure**

- FY23-27 Certified Activity Differentials
- Driver's Education Handout

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