## Soda Springs Jt. School District #150 **Driver Education Protocol**

# **Driver Education Information**

#### **Class Locations and Times**

Driver Education classes are held during the spring and summer at Soda Springs High School. In the spring all classroom time will take place before school on regular school days.

#### **Confirmation of Enrolment**

Parents and Students will be notified regarding placement in the program after the registration deadlines for each session.



#### About the Class

Each student will receive a minimum of 30 hours of class time, 6 hours of driving time and 6 hours of observation time. The SSHS program is taught by certified instructors, utilizes state approved curriculum, uses inspected and safety-equipped vehicles, and provides insurance coverage while students are in the program.

#### **Class Eligibility**

In order to register for the Driver Ed. Program, students must:

- be at least 14<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> years old
- be a current student at SSHS or will be a student the next semester at SSHS
- have a have a cumulative/current GPA of 2.0 with not more than one no failing grades in the current semester."
- Students applying for enrollment will be selected based on the age of the applicant, the above mentioned requirements, meeting the registration deadlines, and the availability of instructors. If selected, the student will receive a "Confirmation of Enrollment" letter indicating placement into class.

## **Tuition**

Student tuition for Drivers Education is being paid for using the Advanced Opportunities funds provided by the state. This is great for students, however, if a student fails Drivers Education, they must take, pay for it themselves, and pass an applicable course in order to get back into the Advanced Opportunities program. These are the same rules that apply to all Advanced Opportunities courses.

#### **Class Tuition**

Students will pay \$95.00.

#### **Other Fees**

Driver Education Permit (SIP): \$21.50

The Drivers Education Permit can be purchased through the Caribou County Sheriff's Office

### **Additional Information**

To successfully complete the program the students must pass all 3 sections of the class (class, driving and attitude). Failure to pass all sections of the program will result in an overall failing grade, thus resulting in the student reregistering and taking the program once again. Full fee payment is required for each course taken. All regular school rules and regulations will be enforced in class and during the driving portion.

#### Students must obtain a Certified Letter Verification of Compliance (VOC)

This is a certified letter that can be obtained from the student's grade level principal at the school they are attending. The letter states that the student is *enrolled in school*, has a cumulative/current GPA of 2.0 with not more than one failing grades in the current semester." and does not have excessive absences/truancies. The Letter Verification of Compliance process typically takes 1-3 schools days to be completed. It is valid for only thirty (30) days from date of signing. This letter verifies that the student is enrolled in school. The letter needs to be taken to the Caribou County Sheriff's Office in order to obtain a learning permit.

#### Students will be asked to adhere to a Code of Conduct

Any student observed driving by an instructor, School Official or cited by law enforcement for a status offenses (curfew violations, possession and/or consumption of drugs, alcohol and/or tobacco, or tobacco like products) will immediately be dropped from the program and will be given a failing grade without a refund. A student in violation of any school or district policy shall not be permitted to enroll in or complete driver education. If the violation occurs while enrolled in Drivers Education, the student will be removed from the course, receive a fail, and payment will not be reimbursed.

#### **Outside of Class Driving**

Once a student is enrolled in the Driver Education program they are NOT allowed to drive a private motorized vehicle on a public road or parking lot with public access. All driving activity is to be completed with an authorized driver education vehicle and instructor. Students are responsible for any citation incurred during the course.

#### **Paving Fees**

All fee payments should be made payable to SSHS and may be paid after receiving the Confirmation of Enrollment Letter. Students must keep their receipt. The classroom instructor will ask to see the receipt indicating that payment has been made. Drivers Education Tuition **MUST** be paid by the end of the First Week of class or the student will be dropped from the program!