PURPOSE

This policy sets out our school's approach to students driving to and from school and school events. Our school recognises the need for the whole community to make efforts to minimise the risks associated with young drivers and to encourage responsible driving behaviours for students.

SCOPE

This policy applies to all students at Camperdown College who have a valid driver's licence.

IMPLEMENTATION:

Our school recognises that some students will turn 18 and obtain a driver's licence while they are still attending school. Some of these students will want to drive to and from school. Camperdown College expects that all student drivers will adhere to the conditions of their licence and the road rules and will drive in a safe and responsible manner. If the school becomes aware that a student driver has driven in an unsafe or irresponsible manner, police will be notified.

- 1. Camperdown College students with a driver's licence are able to drive to and from school but must drive with extreme caution in the vicinity of the school and observe all road rules and the requirements consistent with Victoria's Graduated Licensing System.
- 2. Consistent with Victoria's Graduated Licensing System., students are permitted to drive only one peer passenger (aged 16-22), unless the passengers are siblings of the driver.
- 3. Student drivers must not drive into the school grounds and the school takes no responsibility for damage to vehicles parked outside the school.
- 4. Students are not permitted to access or use their car during the school day unless it is for an approved reason such as an unavoidable medical appointment, in which case school procedures for leaving the school during the school day must be followed. This includes parent consent, approval from Year Level Coordinator, and the student signing out at the office. If students act in breach of this policy, parents/carers will be notified and appropriate student sanctions will apply.
- 5. Students are not permitted to drive themselves to and from camps, excursions or other school activities unless previously arranged and agreed in consultation with the school Principal or Assistant Principal, and only in exceptional circumstances or in circumstances where all students are required to make their own way to the event.

FURTHER INFORMATION AND RESOURCES:

School Policy and Advisory Guide: <u>Traffic Safety</u>

EVALUATION:

This policy was ratified by School Council in March 2021.