With Privilege comes Responsibility!!

Obtaining a Driver’s License from DHS

Cars do not crash—people crash them. The driver, especially the young driver, continues to be a weak link in automotive safety. The benefits of effective traffic safety instruction have great value to students, to parents, and to the commonwealth. As students, you must apply concepts learned behind a desk to the realities of driving behind the wheel. Virginia law makers have designed a process to keep your child as safe as possible in their first years of driving.

To obtain a driver’s license for students under the age of 19 at Dinwiddie High School, they must follow this regiment:

- Obtain a valid learner’s permit from DMV.
- Enroll and pass with a minimum of 70% in the classroom portion of Driver Education.
- Complete a 14 hour Behind the Wheel course, including Range Skills Driving and Road Skills Driving.
- Pay a $50 fee to DHS.
- Complete a valid 45- hour log.
- Follow revised procedure listed below (Revised July 1, 2008)

The new laws were revised and brought to life as of July 1, 2008. Now, a student less than 19 years old must complete a licensed driver’s education program, behind the wheel instruction, and a 45 hour driving log of which 15 hours are after sunset. Written authorization for a minor is required before your child can receive their provisional license. A parent’s or guardian driver’s license number or DMV-issued ID card number is required and be shown when picking up your child’s Temporary Provisional Driver’s License. Your driver’s license customer number must appear on your child’s 45 hour log.

After your son or daughter has completed all requirements for their One Hundred Eighty-Day Temporary Provisional Driver’s License, parents must report to the driving tower any Monday in which school is in session between 2:15 and 2:45 to sign for your son’s or daughter’s license. The license will then be issued to you for distribution to your child.