

Houston County High School
Student Parking Lot Rules
2023-2024

- To receive a parking permit, students must present a valid Georgia driver's license OR eligibility to receive a valid Georgia driver's license, up-to-date insurance, and registration.
- The Houston County Board of Education is not responsible for losses or damages, including bodily injury, to the property of users of its facilities.
- The school administration reserves the right to suspend or revoke parking privileges without a refund for the cost of a permit.
- While on campus, your vehicle and all belongings contained in your vehicle are subject to search at any time.
- On school days, student vehicles are not allowed to park closer than the Side Parking Lot, including areas near the baseball field, bus ramp, greenhouse, the rear of the old gym, or parking areas around the new gym until after 3:15 PM. After this time, only students participating in extracurricular activities should be parked in these areas.
- Within your designated parking spot, you are to park on the paved surface between two yellow or white lines.
- Parking permits cost \$50 first semester and \$25 second semester. All replacement parking permits cost \$10.
- Student drivers should not arrive at the school until 7:30am unless required to be on campus before that time for tutoring or a meeting. They should park their vehicle and remain in THEIR OWN car until 7:45. No student drivers are permitted inside the building until after 7:45am. When you have been dismissed for the day, you must leave the parking lot immediately. All students must be off campus prior to 3:20pm unless in a supervised after school activity. There is to be NO gathering in the parking lots before or after school.
- If another vehicle is parked in your assigned parking spot you are to park in a VISITORS parking space in the front lot near the theater. While it is inconvenient for you, parking in these spaces eliminates the domino effect that begins by just parking somewhere else in the lot. You are to report to the attendance office that another vehicle has taken your assigned location and you will be called to move your car once the mistake is resolved.
- Students are not allowed to ride in the back of a pickup truck or the outside of any other vehicle except a motorcycle. This includes hanging outside the window of a vehicle.
- Report all accidents to the front office immediately.
- On-campus student parking is a privilege provided by Houston County High School. Violations of parking lot rules may result in your permit being suspended or revoked.

There are several actions that will cause your parking permit to be suspended or revoked. The following list is general in nature and does not include all infractions that may result in the disciplinary action indicated:

- Driving through the Central Registration parking lot
- Parking in the wrong location
- Going to the parking lots during the school day without permission from an administrator
- Leaving campus without permission
- Congregating in the parking lot before school or entering the building prior to 7:45.
- Congregating in the parking lot after school and not immediately leaving campus upon dismissal.
- Violating any Houston County School System rules regarding alcohol, drugs, or weapons
- Violating any rules applicable to Georgia highways

Students who violate parking procedures will be issued a signed parking violation notice for each infraction. The consequences for parking violations are as follows:

1. Warning
2. 5-day Permit Suspension
3. 10-day Permit Suspension
4. Permit suspended for the remainder of the semester

School administration reserves the right to implement these and other consequences in any order based upon the severity of the parking/lot violation.

Lot Assignments:

Students will be assigned parking spaces on a first-come, first-served basis. Students will not have the option to choose their specific parking space.

- Dual-enrolled (off-campus) and Work-based Learning Students – **SIDE LOT**
- On-campus All Day – **BACK LOT**
- **Back Parking Lot** – This lot is located behind the two-story building on the south side of campus. Access to this lot is Jerry Barker Blvd.
 - Students parking in the back lot must take a right onto Jerry Barker Blvd. when leaving in the afternoons. It is suggested that they then take a left onto Bear Country Blvd. to avoid the traffic backup at the Hwy 96 light.
- **Side Parking Lot**-This lot is located on the western side of our campus. Access to this lot is off Bear Country Blvd.
 - Students parking on the side lot must take a right onto Bear Country Blvd. when leaving campus in the afternoon.
- **Front Parking Lot**-This lot is located in the front of the building. Access to this lot is off Hwy 96. This lot is only used for overflow parking assignment once all other spaces in the Back and Side are sold.

Medical Restriction Notice

Per Georgia Law (O.C.G.A 40-5-35), no person may operate a vehicle if they have had a seizure within the previous six months unless they have been medically cleared by a physician. As a result, the parking privileges of any student who has had a seizure within the previous six months will be **suspended or not issued** pending **signed** medical clearance by a physician presented to the attendance office.