

Walker High School
Driver Education Course Syllabus
Coach Ware

Course Requirements:

- Students must be at least 15 years old and have a valid Alabama Learners License (Permit)
- A \$15 fee is charged, it must be paid before the student will be allowed to drive (checks made payable to Walker High School).

Grade determination:

- The final grade is a combination of in-class instruction, homework (log book), and behind the wheel driving.
- **In-class instruction** consist of test grades and daily participation. It will count 20% of final 9 week average.
- **Homework (Log Book):** Students will log actual miles that they drive while away from school. Students will be required to log at least 250 miles with their parents, grandparents, guardians, ect. Once the miles have been completed, the students will have the licensed driver sign their log book and record their name, the date, and the number of miles driven by the student. The log book will count 20% of the final 9 week average (Due the day all students report back to class from aide assignments).
- **Behind the wheel driving (BTW)** grade will count 60% of final 9 week average. Students will be afforded the opportunity to drive at least 4 times in the 9 week grading period. Each student will be graded for their performance while driving in a variety of settings.

3rd Party Testing (Yellow Cards): A letter will be sent home to parents explaining this process. Only qualified students can participate. **NO STUDENT HAS TO RECEIVE A YELLOW CARD.**

Course Objectives:

- To prepare the student with at least a minimum performance of basic skills for vehicle control.
- To provide the student with knowledge of traffic laws.
- To develop a fundamental attitude of cooperation with all traffic members.
- To provide an opportunity to practice the basics of maneuvering a motor vehicle.
- To help students recognize the need for self-improvement.
- To introduce students to Alabama Boating Safety curriculum.
- To provide the opportunity for all students to pass the Boating Safety Exam and receive certificate from state department in order to get the DMV accommodation on their driver license.

Week 1: Alabama Boating Basics Lecture and Exam.

Week 2: Traffic Signs and Signals, Smith System (Defensive Driving), Alcohol effects

Week 3: Right of way/Turns, Adverse driving conditions

Week 4: Basic maneuvers, Traffic laws

Week 5 – 9: BTW Driving experience

Successful Classroom Behavior and Consequences

In order to be successful:

1. BE PREPARED EVERYDAY !
2. BE ON TIME !
3. TURN IN EVERY ASSIGNMENT !
4. MAKE-UP MISSED ASSIGNMENTS AND TESTS !
5. BE RESPECTFUL TO EVERYONE !
6. MAKE AN EFFORT !

* Plus follow any of the rules discussed in the Jasper City Schools Handbook.

CONSEQUENCES: (THESE APPLY TO MINOR OFFENSES)

1. VERBAL WARNING
2. CONFERENCE WITH STUDENT
3. OFFICE REFERRAL