DESCRIPTOR TERM:	ISSUED DATE:	DESCRIPTOR CODE:
STUDENT PARKING PERMITS	<u>07/01/17</u>	ab-BIA
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Driving on campus is a privilege. Academic progress is the most important aspect of high school attendance, and therefore, students must meet minimum standards to earn this privilege. Parking spaces for students are provided at each of the three high schools. In order to be eligible to park on school property, the following conditions set forth in the *Rockdale County School Attendance and Truancy Reduction Protocol* must be met:

- 1. Students who have the privilege of driving automobiles to school and parking on campus must maintain good attendance. Students shall lose these privileges and parking permit for the following semester if they:
 - a. Have five or more unexcused absences in any class, or
 - b. Do not earn a semester grade of 70 or above in 6 of the 7 academic classes in which currently enrolled, or
 - c. Have more than four discipline referrals
 - d. Have five or more unexcused tardies and/or early check-outs
- 2. Beginning July 1, 2005, this policy will also carry-over from the previous school year. For example, if a student accumulates five (5) or more unexcused absences in the last semester of the previous school year, he or she will not be eligible for parking privileges and permits during the first semester of the new school year.
- 3. A student may regain his or her parking privileges at the end of the next semester by meeting the minimum attendance, grade, and discipline policy stated below:
 - a. Have 3 or fewer unexcused absences in each class, and
 - b. Earn a semester grade of 70 or above in 6 of the 7 academic classes in which currently enrolled, and
 - c. Have less than four discipline referrals, and
 - d. Have four or fewer unexcused tardies/early check-outs

4.Students who have lost their parking privileges and who violate the intent of these procedures by driving to school, parking on or off campus, and/or participating in extracurricular activities, shall be subject to discipline that may include permanent loss of parking and other privileges and other appropriate disciplinary action.

Prior to receiving a permit to park a vehicle on the campus of a high school in the Rockdale County school system, students must provide the following:

- driver's license,
- proof of insurance;
- completed application including signature(s) of parent(s), and

Copy of a current tag receipt indicating Rockdale County residence Principal will verify that student resides in Rockdale if/when out-of-county tag receipt is presented. If principal is satisfied that in-county residence is true, school may issue a parking permit. Note: If <u>car owner</u> resides in Rockdale County she/he should contact the tag office (770-929-4097) for registration information to comply with Georgia law.

Also, as reminders:

- For the 2019-20 school year, the annual parking fee will be \$50.00.
- The principal shall have the final authority to assign specific vehicles to specific parking locations for safety and vehicle control. The principal will have total control of the parking program. Principal will develop rules and regulations for parking on campus.
- Only such motor vehicles as are approved for operation on streets and highways by the Department of Public Safety may be operated on school property.
- Failure to abide by any regulation or policy of the Rockdale County Board of Education or any state law regarding vehicle operation may result in loss of the privilege of operating a motor vehicle on campus. When the privilege is lost, the permit will be removed from the vehicle.