

DRIVER'S LICENSE INFORMATION!!!

TEENAGE AND ADULT DRIVER RESPONSIBILITY ACT **TAADRA**

Please read carefully!!

As a result of the House Bill 1190, the Department of Motor Vehicle Safety has revised the school certificate of attendance which is needed for your student to receive a permit or license in the state of Georgia. **This revision is necessary to comply with this change in the law.** Please note the following changes, which reflect the new forms and requirements:

- Removes the ability for a student under age 18 to withdraw from school with parent consent and still be eligible to drive.
- Requires a person who is younger than 18 years of age to be enrolled in and not under suspension from a public or private school for a period of **one academic year** prior to application for an instruction permit or driver's license.
- Requires a student have no more than 9 unexcused absences in any semester for a period of **one academic year** prior to applying for an *instruction permit* or *driver's license*.
- DMVS will not issue or will now suspend the license if the person:
 - Has dropped out of school without graduating and has remained out of school for 10 consecutive school days.
 - **Has 10 or more school days of unexcused absences (these do not have to be consecutive!) in the current or previous academic year.**
 - Has been suspended from school for any of the following reasons:
 - Threatening, striking, or causing bodily harm to a teacher or other school personnel.
 - Possession or sale of drugs or alcohol on school property or school sponsored event.
 - Possession or use of a weapon on school property or school sponsored event.
 - Any sexual offense prohibited under Georgia Law (Chapter 6 of Title 16).
 - Causing substantial physical or visible bodily harm to or seriously disfiguring another person, including another student.
- The suspension shall be for a period of **one year** or shall end upon the date of the minor's 18th birthday, whichever comes first.

A Certificate of Attendance can be applied for at Harrison High School in the Admin 2 office and will cost your student \$2.00. Please give the office 24 hours in order to complete this transaction.

If you have local school questions, contact Admin 2 at 678-594-8104.

If you have questions or concerns about TAADRA e-mail them to dticket@doe.k12.ga.us or by telephone at 1-800-869-1011. For questions pertaining to appeals, hardship exemptions or reinstatements, contact the Department of Driver Services by telephone at (404)657-9300. For questions pertaining to implementation of the TAADRA law, please contact Ask DOE at (404) 656-2800 or 1-800-311-3627.