

# Tuscola High School Driver Education Information

How old do I need to be to take Driver Education? 14 1/2 years of age.

Cost \$60.00-payable in the front office of THS. Payment must be made in order to register for an upcoming class. It is highly recommended that students pay early in order to secure a seat in a particular class. Class sizes are limited to the first 40 students that pay and register.

When are Driver Education Classes? Check this website for the yearly calendar.

Driver Education Book Session: In Classroom consisting of 30 hours of instruction -Instructor will provide a class calendar the first day of class. What do I need to bring to class? Pencil, Paper & Loose Leaf Notebook

Driving Phase Hours (6 hours behind-the-wheel) No student will be scheduled for behind-the-wheel instruction until all classroom instruction has been completed and the DMV has checked his or her eyes (this is done during the classroom phase). Drivers are arranged in order oldest to youngest to schedule behind the wheel instruction. After the classroom phase is completed an instructor will contact each driver when they are next on the drive list to coordinate a driving schedule.

Upon completion of your Driver Education Course (classroom and behind the wheel) you will receive a Driver Education Certificate. This certificate is good as long as you need it. After getting your permit or driver license, put the certificate in a place where you file important papers and keep it for future use (insurance, etc.).

Ideal timeline for Driver License/Drivers Education in North Carolina:

It will benefit your driving privileges to take Drivers Education prior to your 15th birthday!!!!

Age 14 ½ Take Driver Education book session

14 ½ - 15 Complete behind the wheel training as part of Drivers Education

15 Get permit at DMV (requires driver's education certificate, eligibility certificate (from school), \$20.00 fee, birth certificate and social security card- students' take 25 question general knowledge test on the computer.

16 Get restricted license at DMV- road test with DMV examiner

Note: The longer you wait to take driver education the longer it will be to get your license. North Carolina requires all drivers under the age of 18 to have a limited learners permit for a minimum of 1 year.