

Students Don't "Ditch" Your Driver's License

On January 1, 2015 a new state law takes effect for student drivers under the age of 18. Students looking forward to the privilege of driving in the State of Nevada are expected to attend school at least 90% of the time and not be considered a "Habitual Truant".

In 2013, state legislators linked school attendance with student academic success and Senate Bill 269 was passed. This new law requires every student younger than 18 years of age to submit an Attendance Verification form to the Nevada Department of Motor Vehicles from their school principal when applying for a learner's permit or a driver's license. The Attendance Verification form is available at each of the District's high schools. A copy is also included [here](#) for your review.

The District will work closely with the DMV, parents, and students to help implement this new law correctly, fairly, and within the law. This includes filling out the necessary paperwork for the DMV and asking the Sheriff's Resource Officer to confiscate licenses from students on campus who do not meet the necessary attendance criteria.

It is hoped that none of our students will lose their ability to drive due to poor school attendance. Driving is a privilege and responsible students will be rewarded for their actions. Just remember that if students are tempted to "ditch school" for whatever reason, they just might be "ditching" their license too.

More information connecting student driving requirements to school attendance can be found in the Nevada Driver's Handbook from the DMV by clicking [here](#).