

Rocky Road Driving School: Driving Schedule Information

This is the final phase of Rocky Road's driver education program, involving **6 hours of outside observation** with a parent/guardian and **6 hours of In-Car Instruction** with a Rocky Road instructor.

Key Information

Scheduling

- **Platform:** Scheduling is managed via SignUp Genius.
- **Process:**
 - You **DO NOT** need to contact us to let us know your student has finished, we will be notified by online instructor.
 - Scheduling links are sent via email weekly, every Tuesday by 7:00 PM, in seniority order based on when student finished their online portion of the program by Sunday night.
 - Slots are filled on a first-come, first-served basis.
- **Schedule Format:**
 - Driving sessions are 2 hours/day over 3 consecutive days.
 - The last hour of the 6 hours sessions includes a **mandatory 1-hour parent/guardian ride-along**.

Instructors

- Certified through a robust apprenticeship and state licensing program.
- Diverse team of instructors (male and female, aged 23-53).
- Specific accommodations for special needs students can possibly be arranged in advance.

Pick-Up/Drop-Off Locations

- Standard locations include:
 - **Rocky Mountain High School** (near the Linder-facing flagpole).
 - **Owyhee High School** (near the Owyhee Storm flagpole).
 - **Mountain View High School** (in the back of the school by the tennis courts).
 - **Meridian High School** (near the CTE building and band trailers).
- Possible, not guaranteed, additional arrangements can be made upon request.

Driving Agreement

When you have scheduled and arrived to join one of our instructors, you have officially created a contract/waiver that allows our professional educator to interact with your student in the car and teach them individually or with another student if necessary. You agree to be financially responsible for half the cost of the deductible owed for any and all damages that may have occurred while your student was behind the wheel of one of our vehicles, and furthermore, release Rocky Road Driving School, LLC and its staff from all liability and/or litigation.

Health & Safety

- **Closed-toe shoes** are mandatory, additionally, no clogs are allowed.
- **Cancellation** for flu-like symptoms (24-hour advance notice required).
- Vehicles sanitized after each session.
- Sessions may be canceled due to hazardous weather conditions.

Cancellation Policy

- **Fee:** \$25/hour if canceled without 24-hour notice.
- Fee must be paid before next drive and permit and certificate of completion are released to student.

Observation Log Requirements

- **Content:** 6 hours of detailed accounts of driving mistakes by other drivers, with a minimum of 3 dates and 5-10 mistakes per session. Must be written out and NOT typed or done digitally.
- **Purpose:** Train students in defensive driving by identifying and analyzing unsafe behaviors.
- **Validation:** Must be signed by both parent and student (electronic signatures not accepted).
- **Bring to Last Day of Instruction:** Completed observation log with original signatures
- **Defensive Driving Awareness:** Observe and note common mistakes such as
 - U-turns at intersections where there's no sign authorizing it.
 - Not using the shared turn lane properly by only traveling 100ft in or out & stopping to wait for a gap to merge, instead of using it to speed up to the flow & then merging.
 - Lane changes without using signals.
 - Turning into the wide lane when they are required to turn into the closest lane.
 - Stopping too close to the person in front of them.
 - Not stopping behind the stop line before creeping forward to make a right in red.
 - Entering the freeway going less than the speed of the flow of traffic or the speed limit that's posted.
 - Pulling out or changing lanes without providing enough space for a safe gap.
 - Drivers holding their cell phones while driving.
 - Excessive speeding or acceleration.

These are just a few of the examples you should be observing. The only thing you can count on is that you can't count on anyone to do things the right way every time, so always expect the unexpected, especially when driving. This should give you a clearer understanding of what is expected for you to show us that you are really learning something valuable through the observation process with your parent/guardian.

Contact Information

For additional questions or accommodations, reach out to our Schedule Coordinator, Nichole Flores 208-860-9696