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Dear Students and Parents/Guardians,

Please carefully review the information below about our Fall 2026 Driver's Education program. This letter outlines enrollment steps, program costs, schedules, required documents, and important policies.

- Registration will be on ArbiterSports. All current ArbiterSports accounts may register for Driver's Ed. If you do not have an account, you must create one.
- It is highly advisable to have your account created prior to registration.
- Enrollment is capped at **32 students**.
- Students must be **at least 16 years old** and hold a **valid NYS Learner Permit** to register. Any registrations that do not have a permit will be canceled.
- Full payment is accepted by **cash or check** made payable to **East Rockaway Schools**.
  - In-District cost: $595
  - Out-of-District cost: $625
- Registration consists of two steps:
  - Completing the registration on ArbiterSports (link below).
  - Submit full payment to the Athletics Office either in person or via mail.
    - Attn: Athletics Dept, East Rockaway Jr./Sr. High School, 443, Ocean Ave, NY 11518

REGISTRATION:
Begins: Monday, September 14th
Ends: Friday, September 25th **OR when enrollment exceeds capacity!**
Parents/Guardians must register students here:
https://students.arbitersports.com/east-rockaway-athletics/fall-2026-driver-s-education

LECTURE CLASSES:
The course consists of 24 hours of classroom instruction, which students attend in person in the Tech Building. Students not in East Rockaway will receive temporary emails to access class material. Class times are below (Be advised that times/dates are subject to change.)

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Tuesday	Thursday
10/20	10/22
No Class	10/29
11/3	11/5
11/10	11/12
11/17	11/19
11/24	No Class
12/1	12/3
Makeup 12/8	

DRIVING CLASSES:
Students will complete 24 hours of in-vehicle instruction, 6 hours of actual behind-the-wheel driving with their instructor, and 18 hours of observation. Driving will be conducted on weekdays from 6:00 am - 6:00 pm and some weekends. There is NO Weekend-only option. Your instructor will discuss the designated area to meet.

MAKE-UPS:
Make-ups for both lecture and in-vehicle instruction are arranged directly with the teachers.

MANDATED MEETING:
All accepted students and a Parent or Guardian MUST attend the mandatory Driver's Education meeting, which will be held:

Thursday, October 8th
6:00 pm
East Rockaway Jr./Sr. High School
443 Ocean Ave,
East Rockaway, NY 11518

REFUNDS:
DO NOT register for class if your child's schedule is overburdened or will be away for vacation covering multiple days. Please look for another session where time is available to commit. Candidates placed on the waiting list who request a refund will remove themselves from consideration for a class seat. To submit a refund request, please send an email to amillar@eastrockawayschools.org
If you are not selected for the class, your check and documents will be returned to you.

Tuition will not be refunded should you:

- Fail to complete the course requirements.
- Be removed due to unacceptable behavior.
- If you wish to drop the course after the first driving or lecture class

If a student is determined to be impaired in any way, they will be asked to leave the class and be removed from the course.

Regards,



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