

DRIVER'S EDUCATION

Summer 2026

<https://helenaschools.org/departments/drivers-education-program/>

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Winter/Spring Registration Open: April 6-April 15, 2026

*****MUST BE IN PDF FORMAT – NO SCREEN SHOTS OF APPLICATIONS PLEASE*****

Registration DEADLINE: Wednesday, April 15th @ 12:00 pm. Email completed registration form to: trafficeducation@helenaschools.org or hand-deliver to the Lincoln Center, 1325 Poplar Street.

****Email confirmations of class placement or non-placement will be sent April 22nd. *Monitor your spam and junk mail so you don't miss the emails. * Please call 406-324-2107 if you DO NOT receive an email by that date.**

Payment: DO NOT PAY until you are offered a seat in class. You will receive payment information by email. The cost is \$335 for ALL students.

Students must turn 14 years old on or before: November 4, 2025

Classes are filled in date-of-birth order with older students having class preference (specific details on our website at <https://helenaschools.org/departments/drivers-education-program/>). We may have a limited number of spots available. We do our best to fill classes in the fairest way possible and may have to consolidate classes based on the HSD best practices related to instructors and vehicles.

All classes consist of 42 hours of classroom instruction, 12 hours of driving observation, and 6 hours of road instruction while at the wheel of a Driver's Education vehicle. **DRIVES:** Students will drive 6 times either after school, on days they do not have class, or on weekends. Driving time is scheduled by the instructor.

Drives, classes, and student testing will follow appropriate health and safety protocol.

Students are allowed **2 absences** (make-up work assigned). Since class attendance is mandatory, consider family/student schedules: sports, vacations, jobs, etc. Third absence is an automatic "unsuccessful."

Bring with you to Mandatory Meeting:

- A. Parent/Legal Guardians Driver's License & a black ink pen
- B. **Two forms of Student ID:** (Must be Originals or Certified Copies of documents)
 - 1. Student's Birth Certificate or Passport; and
 - 2. Student's Social Security Card or MT ID

****If you do not have these forms of Student ID start the process of getting them. They are required to take the course.***

- C. Student glasses or contacts (if parent meeting will include vision test).
- D. ***No refunds** are given after a class begins.

Summer 2026 ~ CLASS SCHEDULES

CAPITAL HIGH SCHOOL (CHS) / HELENA HIGH SCHOOL (HHS)

Lee Carter, Instructor

Mandatory Parent & Student Meeting: Monday, June 1st, 2026, from 5:00-7:00 pm @ CHS G1. Vision test will be given at this meeting if there is time. Students should bring glasses/contacts if they wear them.

Class Location: In-Person-CHS Room G-1

Class Time: 4:00-6:00 pm/10:30 am-12:30 pm

Class Dates: (Mon-Fri, excluding June 6/25 and 6/26)

4:00 pm-6:00 pm:

June 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10

10:30 am-12:30 pm:

June 11, 12, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 22, 23, 24, 29, 30 July 1, 2, 3

(+drives through August 13, 2026)

Reid Christensen, Instructor

Mandatory Parent & Student Meeting: Monday, May 4th, 2026, from 5:30 pm-7:30 pm @ CHS Auditorium.

Students are required to attend.

Class Location: In-Person-CHS Room 23

Class Time: 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm/10:00 am-12:00 pm

Class Dates: (Mostly Mon-Thurs, excluding Memorial Day 5/25, 6/3, 6/4, 6/10)

5:30 pm-7:30 pm:

May 4, 5, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13, 14, 18, 19, 20, 21, 26, 27, 28, June 1, 2, 8, 9

10:00 am-12:00 pm

June 11, 12, 15 only if needed, 16 only if needed

(+drives through 06/21/2026)

Caleb Feuerstein, Instructor

Mandatory Parent & Student Meeting: Monday, May 4th, 2026, from 6:00 pm-8:00 pm @ CHS Café

(Downstairs). Students are required to attend. Vision test will be given at this meeting if there is time. Students should bring glasses/contacts if they wear them.

Class Location: In-Person-CHS Room 20

Class Time: 4:30 pm – 6:30 pm

Class Dates: (Mostly Mon-Wed, excluding Memorial Day 5/25) May 4, 5, 6, 11, 12, 13, 18, 19, 20, 26, 27, 28, June 1, 2, 3, 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 22, 23, 24 (+drives through 07/01/2026)

Dick McMahon & Nancy Peterson, Bryana Curry, Instructors

Mandatory Parent & Student Meeting: Monday, May 4th, 2026, from 6:00 pm-8:00 pm @ CR Anderson Library. Students are required to attend. Vision test will be given at this meeting if there is time. Students should bring glasses/contacts if they wear them.

Class Location: In-Person-CHS Room 208

Class Time: 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm/8:30 am-10:30 am

Class Dates: (mostly Tues-Thurs, excluding 6/9)

5:30 pm-7:30 pm:

May 4, 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, 14, 19, 20, 21, 26, 27, 28, June 2, 3, 4

8:30 am-10:30 am

June 10, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17, 18

(+drives through 07/15/2026)

Pat Larson, Instructor

Mandatory Parent & Student Meeting: Monday, May 4th, 2026, from 6:00 pm-8:00 pm @ CHS Library.

Students are required to attend.

Class Location: In-Person-CHS Room 25

Class Time: 5:45 pm – 7:45 pm/10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Class Dates: (Mostly Tues & Thurs, Mon-Thurs once school is out)

5:45-7:45 pm:

May 5, 7, 12, 14, 19, 21, 26, 28, June 2, 4, 9, 11

10:00 am-12:00 pm:

June 15, 16, 17, 18, 22, 23, 24, 25, MAKEUP CLASSES IF NEEDED: June 29, 30

(+drives through 07/31/2026)

Jeff Mahana, Instructor

Mandatory Parent & Student Meeting: Monday, May 4th, 2026, from 7:30 pm-9:30 pm @ CHS Auditorium

Students are required to attend.

Class Location: In-Person-CHS Room 23

Class Time: 3:45 pm – 5:45 pm/8:15 am – 10:15 am

Class Dates: (Mostly Mon, Thurs and Fri, changing once school is out)

3:45-5:45

May 7, 8, 11, 14, 15, 18, 21, 22, June 1, 8

8:15 am-10:15 am

June 11, 12, 17, 18, 19, 22, 23, 24, 25, 29, 30, July 1

(+drives through 08/10/2026)

Jamie Toivonen, Instructor

Mandatory Parent & Student Meeting: Monday, May 4th, 2026, from 6:00 pm-8:00 pm @ CHS Room 213

Students are required to attend.

Class Location: In-Person-CHS Room 213

Class Time: 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm/9:00 am – 11:00 am

Class Dates: (Mostly Tues-Wed/Mon-Fri once school is out)

4:00 pm-6:00 pm

May 4, 5, 6, 12, 13, 18, 19, 20, 26, 27, June 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10

9:00 am-11:00 am

June 11, 12, 22, 23, 24, MAKEUP CLASS IF NEEDED: June 25

(+drives through 08/13/2026)

Martin Scanlon, Instructor

Mandatory Parent Meeting: (ONE parent only - no students)

****Students meet Monday, May 4th at 3:45 pm - 5:45 pm @ HHS Room 51 (Art Wing) for their first class.**

Class Location: In-Person-HHS Room 51 (Art Wing)

Class Time: 3:45 pm – 5:45 pm/8:00 am – 10:00 am

Class Dates: (Mostly Mon-Tues excluding Memorial Day May 25th) Mon-Thurs once school is out

3:45 pm – 5:45 pm

May 4, 5, 11, 12, 18, 19, 26, June 1, 2, 8, 9

8:00 am-10:00 am

June 15, 16, 17, 18, 22, 23, 24, 25, 29, 30, July 1, 2 (+drives through August 28th)

***Please make sure class times and dates work for your student. Once placed into a class there is not an option to move into a different class

*** SEE REGISTRATION FORM BELOW ***

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TO BE FILLED OUT BY A PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN. PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY IN INK.

Student's Full Legal Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____ (Must turn 14 or before November 4th, 2025, to qualify)

School where student is **currently (today)** enrolled: CHS__ HHS__ PAL__ Other _____

ALL COMMUNICATION IS DONE VIA EMAIL

***Best PARENT Contact Email Address (REQUIRED):** _____

Parent/Legal Guardian's Name: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian's Mailing Address:

Parent/Legal Guardian's Phone #: _____

Make sure the classes you choose fit into your family/student schedules, as attendance is mandatory (max of 2 absences). If none of these classes work, do **not** fill out this form, wait & register for the next session.

***Class Preference 1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc. The more class options you select, the better chance to be placed. *Place an "X" if that class does NOT work.**

_____ Carter (CHS)
_____ Christensen (CHS)
_____ Feuerstein (CHS)
_____ McMahon/Peterson/Curry (CHS)
_____ Larson (CHS)
_____ Mahana (CHS)
_____ Toivonen (CHS)
_____ Scanlon (HHS)

****Example**:**

6 Carter
5 Christensen
X Feuerstein
1 McMahon/Peterson/Curry
4 Larson
3 Mahana
7 Toivonen
2 Scanlon

*Classes are offered by Helena High School (HHS) & Capital High School (CHS). Students can register for either location, but parents do need to provide transportation to classes and drives.

SEE NEXT PAGE FOR PARENT/GUARDIAN Q&A AND SIGNATURE

1. Does this student suffer from any chronic or potentially chronic condition that may cause a loss of consciousness or control? YES__ or NO__
2. Does this student have any physical or mental condition that impairs or may impair the ability to exercise ordinary and reasonable control in the safe operation of a motor vehicle? YES__ or NO__
3. Does this student rely on any adaptive equipment or operational restrictions to attain the ability to exercise ordinary and reasonable control in the safe operation of a motor vehicle? YES__ or NO__
4. Other accommodations student may need in class or while driving please explain:

I Parent/Legal Guardian have filled this registration form out to the best of my knowledge. I have read and understand the attached Traffic Education Program Information Sheet and Class Schedules. I understand payment will be made and processed only after my student is offered a class seat.

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian (may be typed)_____Date:_____

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