Whitko Driver Education 2026/2027

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Driver Education at Whitko Jr/Sr High School

1. Students must be **15** years old to begin the class.
2. Students are required to complete **30 hours** of online classroom and **6 hours** of driving with an instructor. Students who complete both requirements may apply for their license at 16 years. Students who do not take a driver education course must wait until they are 16 years and 270 days old to apply for their license.
3. Students must hold their learners permit for **6 months** before getting their license.

Online Course (Driving Only with Whitko Instructor)

1. Search the web at "mybmv.in.gov", click on permits, then Driver Education, then scroll down to Licensed Driver Training schools and choose an online provider.
2. Once a student completes and passes an online course, he/she will receive a certificate showing completion.
3. Students bring the certificate of completion, the attached application with the "Driving Only" option marked and either partial or full payment to the Whitko Jr/Sr High School office.
3. The student will receive a CDE (Certificate of Driver Education enrollment) form from a school official. This document along with the online course certificate of completion must be taken to the BMV to obtain the Learner's Permit. (See getting your Learner's Permit below)

Getting a Learner's Permit

1. Complete the classroom requirements. Students must earn a B- or better to pass the class.
2. Take the following forms to the BMV:
    a. CDE Form issued by school official
    b. Social Security Card
    c. Birth Certificate
    d. 2 documents proving residency (a list of approved documents is available)
3. Pass a vision test and a written test at the BMV.
4. Once a permit is obtained, students will work with one of Whitko's instructors to schedule drive times.
5. Students must hold a permit for at least 180 days before getting their license.

Cost of Driver Education

1. The fee for Driving Only is $250.00 for Whitko students & $275.00 for other students which includes the driving skills test. The cost of the online course is your responsibility and depends on your choice of provider.
2. Fees may be paid in full or in two installments. All fees should be paid in full before the conclusion of the student's driving portion with the instructor. Student's completion certificate will not be signed until all fees are paid in full.
3. Make checks payable to Whitko Jr/Sr High School.

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM WITH PAYMENT TO THE WHITKO JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL OFFICE. IF MAILING FORM AND PAYMENT SEND TO: WHITKO JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL, ONE BIG BLUE AVENUE, SOUTH WHITLEY, IN 46787.

I give my consent for my son/daughter: _____ _____ _____
First Middle Last (please print their **legal** name)
to enroll in the Driver Education course conducted by Whitko Jr/Sr High School.

☐ **Driving Only & Skills Test - $250.00 for Whitko students & $275.00 for other students (for students taking online course)**

Student Birthday:_____/_____/_____
Month Day Year

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School student attends

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Parent/Guardian Name (please print)

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Street Address

_____
City, State, Zip Code

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Phone Number Alternate Phone Number Email Address

Questions, please contact our Director of Whitko Driver Education, Wayne Swender or Julie Hewitt at WJSH:

Cell: 260-248-1500 (call or text) or Email: wayne.swender@whitko.org

WJSH Office: 260-723-5146 ext. 7013 or Email: julie.hewitt@whitko.org

BMV branch hours (Columbia City/Warsaw/Huntington)

Monday: Closed**Tuesday:** 9:00 a.m.-6:30 p.m.**Wednesday-Friday** 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.**Saturday:** 9:00 a.m. -12:30 p.m. **Sunday**: Closed

BMV branch hours (Wabash): Monday,Wednesday,Friday: 9:00 - 5:00 p.m. **Tuesday,Thursday,Saturday,Sunday** - Closed