

LYONS TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL

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Driver Education – “Opt Out” Form

Student Name: _____ Student ID#: _____

Student's Counselor: _____

Directions: Parents/Guardians, please read each of the following items. We ask that you **and** your student initial by **each** statement below to indicate that you both understand and accept each one.

When completed, please return this form to your student's counselor

1. _____ I/we understand that by enrolling in **(Please check option A or B)**
 - a. ☐ A Private Driver Education Program, the student will be removed from enrollment in LTHS DIST 204 Driver Education Program.
 - b. ☐ The LTHS Dist. 204 Summer School Driver Education Program, the student will be removed from the upcoming school year fall semester driver education class.
 - i. ***Note:** only students with a birthday on or before 12/31/06 will qualify for the summer driver education program. To request enrollment in the summer program visit www.lths.net/DriverEducation
2. _____ I/we understand that if the student is unable to complete the Driver Education privately it will not be possible to add Driver Education to the student's schedule at LTHS for the next school year.
3. _____ I/we understand that because the student is not enrolled in Driver Education at LTHS, the student will be assigned to another class as required to meet state and local graduation requirements.
 - **Important Note:** Students must return an Evidence of Completion document upon completion of a private driving school to their counselor to receive the graduation requirement credit.

Class to replace Driver Education: _____

Additional information about Driver Education is available at www.ILSOS.gov (Search Driver Education)

Parent Signature

Date

Student Signature

Date

**Typing your name will serve as your electronic signature*

If you have additional questions please contact your school counselor or the Physical Welfare Division Chair, Kurt Johns at kjohns@lths.net

There are a variety of reasons why students and families choose to take Driver Education either at LTHS or at a private driving school. Below is a comparison of the LTHS Driver Ed. program with that of a typical private driving school to help you make an informed decision regarding this process and help you figure out what will be the best decision for you and your family.

LTHS Driver Education Program

- The program is staffed by ISBE Licensed Drivers Ed. Teachers.
- **The total program cost to families is \$150.**
- **Any additional or make-up driving instruction is covered by the \$150 fee.**
- The entire program happens during school day, eliminating conflicts after school.
- We offer a Range experience in addition to just behind the wheel instruction. This provides students with more practice on parking & maneuvering a vehicle.
- The classroom phase is taught throughout the semester, which allows students to learn concepts and then have the chance to immediately apply them.
- **LT has the Co-op Program through the Secretary of State Office allowing high-achieving students the chance to waive out of the DMV road test when obtaining their license.**
- LT's program averages 37 instructional hours in the classroom.

Typical Private Driver Education Program

- Their staff is not required to be ISBE Licensed Teachers
- **The average cost of enrolling in their program is \$525 or more.**
- **If students require additional driving instruction that is NOT included in the cost of the program.**
- Private driving school instruction takes place after school or on weekends.
- Private driving schools do not have a Range experience and can only 6 hours of supervised driving instruction.
- **Private driving schools do not offer the Co-op Program.**
- Private driving school offer the minimum requirement of 30 instructional hours in the classroom.

If you have additional questions more information and contact information is available on our school website:
www.lths.net/DriverEducation