**Vocabulary**

**Blind Spot**- Located to the right or left of you toward the rear of the car. You look over your shoulder (chin to shoulder) to check the blind spot

**Trust your eyes**- Turn to the right and look out the back window when you are backing.

**Head swivels** -When backing up you want to keep your eyes looking out the back window the majority of the time; however you will have to turn around and look forward periodically. Swivel your head from looking backward to looking forward.

**Mirror to Bumper**-When backing up you will keep the wheels straight until your mirrors are even with the bumper of the car parked next to you. If no car is present it will be even with the end of the parking line.

**All the Way**- When you are turning the wheel to back up, U-Turns, Pulling Out, etc. You will use the Hand over Hand technique and turn the steering wheel “ALL THE WAY” until it won’t turn anymore.

**When Making a Right Turn Look Left –** when turning right without stopping, you will look left to check for traffic , then look right into your turn

**Pre-Turn:** When we turn right and must stop (stop or yield sign) you will turn the wheels to the right before stopping.

**Cover the brake**: Place our foot over the brake pedal without pushing on it. You will do this when we coast, approaching an intersection with traffic already present.

**Coast**-Take your foot off of both pedals, cover the brake pedal. This allows you to push on the brake if you need to slow down.

**Blinker & Brake:** When you turn either Blinker on your right foot should move to **Cover** (Be Over) the Brake. This does not necessarily mean that you push on the brake. The blinker and brake are buddies…they go together!

**Is anyone behind you**? -Look at your Rearview Mirror. (Just Glance, Do NOT Stare) I am asking if you see anyone that is directly behind you that would hit you if you slammed on your brakes. This is a part of Defensive Driving.

**Slow down BEFORE the turn, NOT in the turn**-You want to slow down to make the turn smooth, then coast with your foot over the brake. You do not want to stop in the middle of the turn. Then we accelerate out of the turn.

**Yield Signs – Think No, then Go**. When approaching a yield sign, slow the car and start checking for highway users. You will stop if necessary so think NO then Go if it is clear.

**All Brake**-When Parking, Perpendicular or Parallel your foot should be over or on the Brake. The Gas pedal should not be used when parking.

**Mirror to Mirror**-When pulling into a parking spot you will slowly move forward until your mirror is even with the mirror of a car parked next to you. If the car is parked the opposite direction it will probably be even with their back door handles.

Day #1

What to expect…

* Seat and Mirror adjustments
* Backing out of Perpendicular Parking spot
* U-turns
* Left Turns Out/Into Smyrna High School and Smyrna Middle School
* Right Turn Out of SHS and Into SMS
* Parallel Pre-Test
* Perpendicular Parking(To the Left), the car will be **Mirror to Mirror** even with the next car

**Terms-Day #2**

**Curve Right Follow White, Curve Left Follow Yellow** –When maneuvering around a curve in the road you should use the appropriate line as a guide. The car will naturally want to come out of the curve so by using the inside line as a guide you allow yourself some room to move as you go around the curve.

Cheat to the Middle:: When driving in town or in narrow places, cheat to the yellow line or the middle of the road. This keep s you from itting parked cars, doors that may open, or pedestrians that step out unexpectedly.

**Cheat to White**- When driving if you are struggling with staying in your lane, you can cheat a little to the solid white line, **IF YOU HAVE A SHOULDER (PAVED AREA**)

**Maintain your speed**-When changing lanes most students will not maintain their speed. It is important when changing lanes to not slow down.

Day #2

What to expect…

* Backing out of Perpendicular Parking spot
* Following the curves of the road
* Stopping properly at Stop Signs and Traffic Lights
* Maintaining lane control at faster speeds
* We will discuss Defensive Driving
* Process of Changing Lanes (BMMB)
* Perpendicular Parking(To the Left)

Day #3

What to expect…

* Backing out of Perpendicular Parking spot
* Left Turns onto Highway-Stay in the closest lane
* Changing Lanes
* Deceleration Lanes
  + If you have a shoulder you must check your Blind Spot before moving over
  + If you **DO NOT** have a shoulder your will follow the solid line of your deceleration lane
  + **DO NOT** slam on your brakes on the highway, slow down in the deceleration lane
* U-turns at Median Crossing on the Highway
  + “Stay to the Right”
* Possible-Roundabout
* Possible-Parallel Curb Parking/3pt Turn
* Perpendicular Parking

Day #4

What to expect…

* Backing out of Perpendicular Parking spot(To the Left)
* Merging onto the highway-Acceleration Lane(Lake Como)
  + Because it is an Acceleration Lane you will signal and check Blind Spot before Merging
* Perpendicular Parking(To the Right)
* Parallel Parking Post-Test(If not we will complete Day #5)

Day #5

What to expect…

* Backing out of Perpendicular Parking spot(To the Left)
* Development Driving
* Possible-Parallel Curb Parking/3pt Turn
* Perpendicular Parking(To the Left)
* Parallel Parking Post-Test(If not completed Day #4)