



Dear Upper School Students and Families,

We're contacting you in July to begin the parking permit process. Thank you in advance for taking the time to read this letter thoroughly as it answers many questions you may have and includes important details that may affect your parking eligibility.

In June 2020, we announced our new parking policy: *Starting in August of 2020, only members of the senior class will be able to park on campus for the academic year.* Vail Mountain School has three parking lots: the main lot, the Cabin parking lot, and the faculty housing parking lot. VMS allows all employees a parking space and must allocate parking spaces for school vehicles, admission visitors, handicap and ADA Accessible parking, snow removal equipment, and Sage Dining employees. Therefore, spaces are limited.

A few reminders to all students who are licensed to drive:

- Students must have a parking pass to park on campus.
- Student parking is only permitted in the main parking lot. Students may not park in the Cabin lot nor in the faculty housing lot.
- Seniors may NOT apply for a pass and then "gift" the pass to another student.
- *The google form to apply for parking must be completed by the student. Parents may not apply on behalf of their child. If your child is not available to complete the form, please email mpavlik@vms.edu.*

How do I apply for a parking permit?

- Any senior that wishes to park on campus must fill out the [2022-2023 Senior Parking Pass Application](#) by the end of the day August 5, 2022. Seniors who fail to complete the form will not be issued a parking pass. Seniors must apply for a parking space, using their VMS email address/account to access the Google Form.

How will parking passes be allotted?

Only senior students will be allowed to park on campus in 2022-2023.

When will parking passes be allotted?

- Those approved for a parking pass will be notified by Tuesday, August 09.
- Parking passes will be available for pick up at the front desk starting August 15.

Can I apply for a parking pass later in the year if I do not currently have my driver's license or if my situation changes?

- Parking passes are assigned only at the beginning of the year in order to benefit the maximum number of students.
- Students who anticipate obtaining a driver's license later in the year and who want to be considered for a parking permit must apply now.

What are the expectations of student drivers?

- Driving to school and parking at school requires ongoing family conversations about safety, winter driving conditions, and sharing a small parking lot with many other constituents at VMS.
- Parking passes must be displayed at all times.
- Parking passes are non-transferrable.
- Student parking is only permitted in the main parking lot. Students may not park in the cabin lot or the faculty housing lot.
- Parking at VMS is a privilege. Student drivers are expected to act courteously.
- From time to time, students will be asked to park elsewhere due to events on campus. In these cases, shuttle service will be provided.
- Students who leave campus unexcused may have their parking pass temporarily suspended. If a student continues to leave campus when not authorized, they may have their parking passes revoked. In this case, families will be required to provide an alternate form of transportation.
- Similarly, students who are habitually tardy to homebase may have their parking pass suspended or revoked.
- Students will be required to sign a parking contract agreeing to these and additional expectations and acknowledging their commitment to responsible and courteous driving.

[2022-2023 VMS Parking Pass Application Link](#)

PLEASE NOTE THAT YOU MUST BE SIGNED IN TO YOUR VMS EMAIL ACCOUNT ON A WEB BROWSER TO COMPLETE THIS FORM. IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ACCESS THE FORM, YOU MAY BE SIGNED INTO A NON-VMS ACCOUNT.

Thank you,
Maggie Pavlik
Director of Upper School