

To CCS Parents considering Driver's Ed options for their child:

Recently in *The Knightly* News, we announced that Jordan Driving School will <u>not</u> be offering a dedicated class for CCS students at this time. This decision was a result of both their staffing shortages and what we considered a very slow process (estimated 5-month delay) from the classroom to the start of behind-the-wheel training. As you may know, Jordan Driving School is subsidized by the State as a contractor for Wake County, which means their low price simply cannot be matched.

While a number of driving schools now operate in our area, we want to tell you about one local business, I **Drive Hand Over Hand** driving school. They offer a much shorter turnaround time, and they are willing to offer CCS students a discounted price!

<u>I Drive Hand Over Hand</u>, located in Research Triangle Park, offers Zoom and in-person hybrid sessions throughout the Fall/Winter/Spring, with Saturday sessions to not compete with school. They are dropping their standard \$595.00 price to an exclusive and deeply discounted price of **\$400.00** for CCS students.

Registration is done directly with them via their website for any one of their upcoming Teen Sessions. The price includes the 30 hours of classroom instruction and 6 hours of behind-the-wheel training as required for teen drivers under age 18 in North Carolina. To be eligible for any driver education course, students must be at least 14 1/2 years old by the start date of the class. Turnaround time from classroom to starting behind-the wheel is approximately 2 weeks, including the final classroom test and mandatory vision screening. Behind-the-Wheel training can take up to 4 weeks.

Advertised on their website are these current sessions for January - March:

2024 & 2025 FALL / WINTER SESSIONS HYBRID CLASSES are live and on Zoom. 5 SATURDAYS ONLY Sessions are 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. STARTING DATES ARE:
JAN 11 to FEB 8

## **FEB 22 to MAR 22**

If you're interested and want more details, go to <u>Driving School | Idrive Hand Over Hand Driving School (idrivehh.com)</u> To Register, click on the TEENS tab and follow the instructions. When signing up, you enter your child's name in the Notes, and **you must also enter the school's name** Cary Christian School, which allows them to verify the discounted price of \$400.

This information is offered as a courtesy to our families, and we hope it is helpful! Be advised that CCS does not have direct personal classroom experience with this company, but we have had productive communication with their staff. Also, to reiterate, none of their classes will be exclusively for CCS students; they are open to any teens under the age of 18. We are commending them to you today because they appear genuinely interested in offering a quality product at a fair price. If you decide to use I Drive Hand Over Hand driving school, please email me about your experience. We'd love your feedback!

Sincerely,

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