



Overview of Excel-XLdriving.com's Program

Excel offers classes all year round. Courses begin with two weeks of class work followed by practice drives and ending with two more classroom sessions. **All classes are held in room 40 of Lowell Scott Middle School. Likewise, practice drives begin and end in the parking lot of Lowell Scott Middle School.** Lowell Scott Middle School is located on the corner of Eagle and McMillan Roads in Meridian. It usually takes about six weeks to complete Excel's program but schedules may vary.

Excel is committed to providing premier driving instruction using state of the art technology and the most qualified personnel in the area. Excel's goal is to produce new drivers who are well prepared with safe habits and positive attitudes.

Excel's Classroom Instruction

Typically, Excel holds classes Monday through Thursday the first two weeks of a session. Each class lasts three hours. In addition, two classes are held at the end of the session. The final classes consist of a review, final exams, and an informational hour for parents. In total, students receive 30 hours of classroom instruction in compliance with Idaho rules and regulations governing driver's education programs.

Excel's classes are taught by certified driving instructors who are also professional teachers. Indeed, many of our instructors have master's degrees in curriculum and instruction and most of our instructors speak both English and Spanish fluently. Excel's professional instructors have applied their educations to create a dynamic curriculum for Excel's students. Our instructors engage the students using a number of methods and aids including cooperative learning, in-class projects, real life experiences, computer software, and videos. Excel's classroom experience is designed to be interactive and collaborative and students are expected to fully participate in all classroom activities.

Excel's Practice Drives

Excel's practice drives are conducted by the same exceptionally qualified driving instructors who teach Excel's classes. Practice drives are scheduled weekday afternoons and evenings, and all day Saturday. Students must successfully complete six two-hour practice drives to pass Excel's course. For one hour of the drive the student observes another driver and for one hour of the drive the student actively drives the vehicle. Thus, the student fulfills State of Idaho requirements for driving and observation time.

Excel understands that students and parents are busy and we strive to create an accommodating drive schedule. On the first day of class, students are given a card to take home and fill out indicating times during which they can and cannot drive. Excel then creates a driving schedule individualized to each class. All practice drives **begin and end at the Lowell Scott Middle School parking lot. Without exception, students will not be picked up or dropped off en route.**

Missing a Class or a Practice Drive

Students are **allowed to miss and make up one class**. However, because missing a drive causes scheduling conflicts **Excel charges a \$50 fee for missing a drive**. Once the driving schedule is in place no changes will be made. However, Excel will make every effort to be flexible in advance and accommodate unique schedules as long as they are communicated clearly. **With so many students in our program this is critical.**

Moreover, Excel cannot guarantee when a missed class or missed drive will be rescheduled which may result in a delay in graduating from the program. Excel can promise, however, that we will do our best to work with our students and their busy schedules.

Excel's Fees

In total, Excel's course costs \$399. We require a \$100 **non-refundable deposit** to reserve a seat. The balance of fees, \$299, is due on the first day of class.

Registering for Excel's Course

To register for the Excel course, simply download, print, fill out and sign the **registration form on pages 4 and 5**.

Then send:

- 1.) the registration material
- 2.) a check or money order for \$100
- 3.) a copy of your student driver's permit receipt

To:

Excel-XLdriving.com
2647 N. Caribou Way
Meridian, ID 83642

A \$30 return check fee will be charged for any bad checks.

Please note, all the above-listed information must be received in order to reserve a seat. Classes are filled on a first come, first served basis. The deadline for each class is the last business day prior to the first day of class. However, there are a limited number of seats in each session and classes usually fill up fast.

Obtaining a Student Driver's Permit

**The permit MUST BE AN EXCEL PERMIT
(see below for details)**

Public school permits and Private School permits are not the same! Since the state of Idaho subsidizes the public school program, private school permits are less expensive. If you have obtained a public school permit you must return to the DMV to obtain a private school permit, they are not interchangeable. This has caused some parents a high degree of frustration in the past; we hope to save you the hassle.

Prior to enrolling in any driver's education program, students must obtain a driver's permit from the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV). **The permit MUST BE AN EXCEL PERMIT. Excel prefers that students purchase their permits at the (400 N. Benjamin) Boise DMV.** (Please see the map at the end of this section.) Students may buy permits at the Canyon county or other Ada county DMVs but Excel may be delayed in picking up those permits.

Students **must be at least 14 ½ before they can get a permit**. In addition, students cannot obtain a permit by themselves; they **must be accompanied by a parent or guardian**. Students **must have the following documentation** in order to purchase a driver's permit:

- letter of compliance from the school most recently attended (contact the school office)
- certified copy of birth certificate (raised seal)
- social security card
- Photo identification (activity card, year book picture, passport, state I.D. card, etc.)

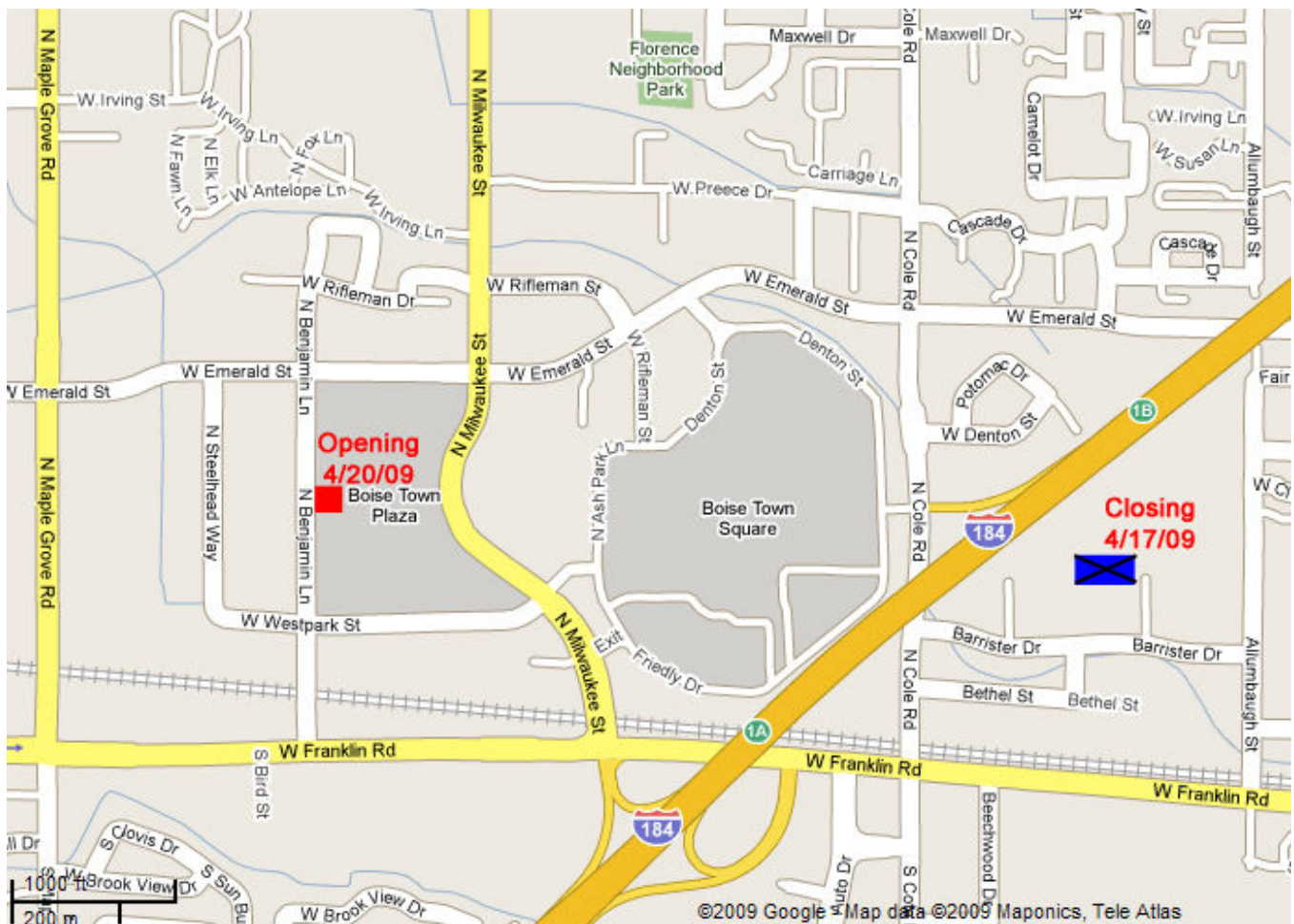
The DMV charges \$15.00 for the driver's permit. The student will not be given the actual permit by the DMV but a receipt. Save the receipt. It is necessary to register for driver's education with Excel. Please note, **the driver's permit does not allow a student to operate a motor vehicle** (including a motorcycle) **at any time except when accompanied by a certified driving instructor in an approved vehicle.** Any student who breaches this rule will be failed and dropped from Excel's course. It should further be noted that a failing grade in driver's education cancels the driver's permit.

The Meridian DMV located at 1769 N. Lakes Ave., Suite 100 (off of Fairview) is CLOSING APRIL 17th 2009.

After April 20th 2009 all permits should be obtained at the new 400 N. Benjamin, Boise office

Do not forget to tell the DMV employees you will be training with Excel.

****The information provided in this section is non comprehensive. For additional information about obtaining a permit, please contact the DMV (577-4700 Meridian DMV) or visit the DMV page on the Idaho Transportation Department's website (www.itd.idaho.gov).****





Remember to include your \$100 non-refundable deposit and driver's permit receipt.

**Send to: Excel-XLdriving.com
2647 N. Caribou Way
Meridian, ID 83642**

Please indicate the session in which you would like to enroll:

Class Start Date _____

Classes meet in room 40 of Lowell Scott Middle School

Please print or type the following information: **-Do you Have your Excel Permit??!! (see page 2)**

Student Name: _____
Last First Middle

Address: _____
Street City Zip Code

Age: _____ Sex: _____ Date of Birth: _____ (Must be 14 ½ to enroll)

School Presently Attending: _____

Parent or Guardian Name(s): _____

Address (if different than above): _____
Street City Zip Code

Home Phone No. _____ Work Phone No. _____

E-mail address: _____

Registration confirmations will be sent out via email

Please indicate any special accommodations this student may need or any information unique to this student our instructors need to know: _____

BY SIGNING THIS REGISTRATION FORM:

I hereby give approval for _____ to enroll in Excel-XLdriving.com's (Excel's) driver's education course, with the understanding that she/he will be under school supervision during the course and will be obligated to rules set forth in Excel's classroom and during Excel's practice drives.

I acknowledge that I have read and understand Excel's registration materials including the sections entitled "Overview of Excel-XLdriving.com's Program," "Excel's Classroom Instruction," "Excel's Practice Drives," "Missing a Class or Practice Drive," "Excel's Fees," "Registering for Excel's Course," and "Obtaining a Student Driver's Permit," and I agree to abide by the instructions and rules therein.

I understand that the practice driving instruction will be in a dual control vehicle with adequate insurance coverage for all who use or ride in it. I further understand that the instructor is properly certified and has had special preparation to teach driver's education.

By signing the I/we also authorize Excel to photograph and video me/my student or interior of the vehicle or classroom during training for instructional or informational purposes. I have not been compensated, nor will I seek compensation for the use of these photos and video.

Finally, I understand that once a student attends a single driver's education class, the Idaho State Driver Permit becomes used and cannot be returned for a refund or used at a later date. I understand that it is against Idaho law to drive any private vehicle (cycle, truck, or car) on public streets or roads during the driver education course. Any student observed driving by an instructor or cited by law enforcement will be immediately dropped from Excel's program and given a failing grade.

Student Signature

Parent or Guardian Signature

Date