

MOTOR VEHICLE POLICY 2025-2026

Wisconsin Lutheran College (WLC) is a residential campus. Its faculty, staff, and students are asked to support and help enforce the following parking policy to ensure that all vehicles are being used and parked properly. The motor vehicle policy was developed by a parking committee comprised of faculty, staff, and students and is administered by WLC Public Safety, which is located on the lower level of the Recreation Complex (REX).

GENERAL POLICY

- The parking policy is in effect the entire calendar year, 24 hours a day.
- All motor vehicles, including motorcycles, mopeds, and scooters must be registered with Public Safety and display a current parking permit. Parking permits are assigned to a specific vehicle and are only transferable by contacting the Trinity Office and following the procedure specified by the Trinity Office *prior* to transferring the permit.
- Parking areas are assigned to students, staff, faculty, and visitors. Vehicles must be parked only in areas designated by the type of permit displayed.
- All drivers must operate and park their vehicles in a responsible manner. Failure to do so may result in revocation or denial of current and/or future parking privileges on campus.
- All vehicles must be removed from campus during summer break, unless otherwise arranged with Public Safety.
- Parking permits must be obtained from the Trinity Office and must be affixed as provided in the instructions accompanying the permit.

VISITOR POLICY

All visitors to WLC should park only in areas designated "Visitor Parking" in Lots A (Front Circle) and F (REX surface lot). All visitors to the college should park in their assigned reserved parking spot or obtain a visitor parking permit. Visitor permits can be obtained from the Front Desk in the Greenfield Administration Building, at the Public Safety Office, or by contacting the campus Public Safety Officer at 414.443.8500. Campus visitors who receive a parking citation should immediately present the citation to the Public Safety Office or to the faculty/staff member they were visiting. The faculty/staff member will forward the citation with an explanation to Public Safety.

STUDENT POLICY

Students shall be aware of and adhere to the entire WLC Motor Vehicle Policy. WLC is a residential campus and as such the number of student parking permits issued must be regulated. SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF PARKING SPACES, students with documented and verifiable commuter, medical, academic, or work-related needs will be given preference in maintaining a car on campus. When spaces are exhausted, no additional permits can be issued. Students requesting a parking permit must submit the following to be considered for a permit:

- 1. A completed online application
- 2. A copy of their motor vehicle registration (uploaded with the online application)
- 3. Other documentation as required in "Student Qualification Categories" section

Students do not send payment with their parking application. The fee for an assigned parking space will be charged to the student's WLC account.

Applicants failing to include <u>any</u> of the required documents will not be considered for a parking permit. Falsifying information on the permit application will automatically result in denial or revocation of the permit.

STUDENT QUALIFICATION CATEGORIES

Freshmen: Most freshmen will not be eligible for parking, with the exception of extenuating circumstances.

Commuting students: Students not residing in WLC student housing must apply for a permit in order to receive a commuter permit for the Parking Center.

Resident students: Resident parking permits will be chosen based on the following criteria. They are ranked in order of importance, from 1 to 5.

- 1. *Medical Reasons:* Medical permits will be issued on an "as needed" basis. Application for a medical permit requires a letter on official stationery signed by the attending physician explaining the disability and length of time a permit will be needed. Final approval of all medical qualifications lies with the Director of Student Support and Disability Services.
- 2. *Academic Qualifications:* Applications made under this criterion will be based on the verification of the academic need. Examples include internship with a letter of confirmation from the company, clinicals, etc.
- 3. **Work:** Students must be employed off-campus during the academic year. You will be asked to supply a copy of your **latest** paycheck stub to verify current employment and amount of hours worked. If your most recent paycheck stub does not display typical hours worked, a letter from your direct manager will be required to verify this information. In most cases, first-year students will be expected to work on campus and will not qualify for a work-related permit.
- 4. *Class Status:* Class status (seniors over juniors, etc.) will be considered when assigning parking permits.
- 5. Distance: Priority will be provided within this criteria based on the distance between a student's home residence and the WLC campus (the greater the distance, the higher the priority). Distance will be calculated based on the address documented on vehicle registration. If vehicle registration doesn't display the current address, student is required to submit other documentation that can be used as proof of current address.

PLEASE NOTE:

- When spaces are exhausted, no more permits can be issued.
- Students with a history of violating the WLC Parking Policy may have their current and/or future parking privileges revoked.

Temporary

Temporary permits for students may be obtained from the Public Safety office 24/7 and are subject to the following rules and regulations:

- Students/vehicles are only permitted five days of temporary parking per academic year. Abuse of this policy will result in a charge.
- Temporary permits are only valid for the Exterior Parking Center Lot (located directly to the east of the Parking Center, 8701 W. Wisconsin Avenue). Exceptions to this rule must be authorized by the Trinity Office.
- Temporary permits are only valid for one day unless needed for a WLC-related function. Exceptions to this rule must be authorized by the Trinity Office.
- Temporary permits are subject to availability. Inclement weather, WLC events, etc., may result in temporary permits not being available.
- A copy of ALL temporary permits must remain on file in the Public Safety Office.

PERMIT COSTS FOR 2025-2026

Permits may be purchased for the entire academic year or by semester. All parking permit charges are posted to WLC student accounts. Revocation of a parking permit for violations of the motor vehicle policy will not entitle the student to a refund of the permit cost. Parking fees for student permits are as follows:

•	Commuting Students	\$0/ academic year (\$5 registration fee)	
•	Residents (Underground)	\$525/ academic year or \$335/ semester	
•	Residents (Surface Lot)	\$340/ academic year or \$195/ semester	
•	Residents (Aspire Surface Lot)	\$385/ academic year or \$230/ semester	
•	Residents (Aspire Garage)	\$615/ academic year or \$380/ semester	
•	Residents (Houses)	\$50/ academic year or \$30/ semester	
•	Temporary Overnight	\$0 (abuse of this policy will result in a charge)	
•	Temporary (2-7 days)	days) \$0 (only available for WLC-related functions)	
•	Outdoor Athletic Complex Permit	\$25/ academic year or \$15/ semester	
•	Winter Break Vehicle Storage	\$25 for duration of Winter Break (if available)	
•	Summer Break Vehicle Storage	\$50 for duration of Summer Break (if available)	

VIOLATIONS

The following permit or parking violations will result in a parking citation being issued:

- Failure to have a properly affixed parking permit at all times.
- Failure to clear outstanding parking fines shall be grounds to deny future parking permits and registration, and transcripts may be withheld.
- Failure to park only in the area designated by the parking permit.
- Parking in a handicap stall without a proper handicap permit and valid lot permit.
- Parking on or over a stall line.
- No vehicle shall be driven on sidewalks or grass, or in fire lanes.
- Any vehicle parked on campus that is not displaying a current parking permit.

CITATION PAYMENT

The registered permit holder shall be held responsible for all citations written on the vehicle whether or not the permit holder parked the vehicle. All parking fines shall be paid to the Business Office within seven school days in the form of cash or check only (credit/debit card payments are not accepted). After seven days the fine will increase to \$30 and the right to appeal will be forfeited. If a student citation is not paid within seven schools days, the citation will be automatically be added to the student's bill.

RIGHT TO APPEAL

An appeal of a citation must be filed with Public Safety within seven school days from the date the citation was issued or the right to appeal will be forfeited and the amount of the fine will increase and be billed. A parking violation appeal form may be picked up at the Public Safety office or the Office of Student Life. This form should be filled out and returned with the ticket attached to the Public Safety office. The decision of the appeals committee is final, and there are no further appeal options.

CITY TICKETING/TOWING CAN OCCUR FOR:

- Any vehicle that is illegally parked that poses a traffic hazard.
- Any vehicle that is illegally parked in an area designated "no parking" or "fire lane."
- Any vehicle that is not registered or is parked without a permit.
- Any vehicle that is left in a campus surface lot during snow emergencies.
- Any vehicle that parks in a spot reserved for another guest.

SNOW REMOVAL

During a city-declared snow emergency, cars may be moved to an alternative lot overnight, but they must be moved out by 7:00 a.m. the next morning.

PARKING AREAS

Parking assignments are designated by the type of permit issued. The Trinity Office may modify the lot assignments each term as space availability dictates. The types of parking permits available and the corresponding parking areas are as follows:

PARKING AVAILABLE IN FALL 2025

•	Stimac	Hall
-	Silliac	11411

o Upper Level Students

o Lower Level Students, Faculty, and Staff

Fischer Hall

o Upper Level Students

o Lower Level Students, Faculty, and Staff

Apt. 540 Lot Students
Apt. 541 Lot Students
Apt. 630 Lot Students
Residential Houses Students

Round Houses Students

• Aspire Hall Students

• WLC Parking Center Commuters, Faculty, Staff, and Special Events (no overnight parking)

• "A" Lot (Front Circle) Visitors Only

"C" Lot (89th) Faculty and Staff
"D" Lot (Library) Faculty and Staff

• "F" Lot (REX) Visitors, Faculty, and Staff

Modern Language Lot Faculty and Staff