**Study for Knowledge Test**

Read the Pennsylvania (PA) Driver’s Manual on the [DMV’s website](http://www.dmv.pa.gov) - [www.dmv.pa.gov](http://www.dmv.pa.gov/) under “Driver Services – Driver Licensing.” To help you prepare for the knowledge test, you can get an app called PA Driver’s Practice Test, which is free on iOS or Google Play. ***Must complete and pass your knowledge test and vision test at the DMV in order to receive a learner’s permit.***

**Applying for a Learner’s Permit**

**Documents to Take to the Driver License Center When You Apply**

1. [Completed Form DL-180](https://www.dot.state.pa.us/Public/DVSPubsForms/BDL/BDL%20Form/DL-180.pdf): <https://www.dot.state.pa.us/Public/DVSPubsForms/BDL/BDL%20Form/DL-180.pdf>. The ***medical exam portion*** MUST be filled out at the Health and Wellness Center or with your local physician. ***You MUST schedule an appointment for your physical exam and complete this form BEFORE you can get your driver’s license.***
2. Passport/Visa
3. I-20
4. I-94 - print your “most recent” (not the “travel history”) online at [i94.cbp.dhs.gov/I94/#/home](https://i94.cbp.dhs.gov/I94/#/home)
5. Social Security card **OR** Social Security rejection letter (see page 2) from Social Security Office
6. PSU Student ID Card
7. 2 proofs of address – bill, bank statement, lease, etc. showing your name and address in Erie
8. Check or money order for $35.50

Once you have your permit, you will be able to schedule the driving exam right away at the Driver License Center or call 1-800-423-5542 to schedule. If you take your driving exam at the Center, you will need to come with a PA licensed driver who is 21 years or older and bring a car that you can use for your driving exam. ***See section below for another option for taking the driving exam.***

**If you want to purchase a car in Pennsylvania –** You will need to have a Pennsylvania Driver’s license or photo ID in order to get your car titled and registered.

**PennDOT (Pennsylvania Department of Transportation)**

**Driver License Center**

**Location:** Summit Towne Centre, 7200 Peach Street Erie, PA 16509

**Contact:** 1-800-932-4600 or online at the [DMV’s website](http://www.dmv.pa.gov) - [www.dmv.pa.gov](http://www.dmv.pa.gov/)

**Hours:**

|  | Mon. | Tues. | Wed. | Thurs. | Fri. | Sat. |
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| Driver License Center Hours | Closed | 8:30 a.m. -  4:15 p.m. | 8:30 a.m. -  4:15 p.m. | 8:30 a.m. -  4:15 p.m. | 8:30 a.m. -  4:15 p.m. | 8:30 a.m. -  4:15 p.m. |
| Best Times To Visit | Driver Exam Closed | 10:00 a.m. -  12:00 p.m. | 10:00 a.m. -  12:00 p.m. | 2:00 p.m. -  4:00 p.m. | 9:00 a.m. -  11:00 a.m. | 2:00 p.m. -  4:00 p.m. |

**Driving Lessons and/or Driving Exam**

**Transportation Solutions** is now able to provide driving lessons and/or exams at their location in a car that they will provide for a fee(s). You need to make an appointment and come to their location for the exam. *You do not need to come with someone 21 or older.* Prices for exams and driving lessons can be found on the [Transportation Solutions website](http://www.drivingneeds.com/) above.

**Location:** 4202 Peach Street Erie, PA 16509 | 814-833-2301 | [www.drivingneeds.com](http://www.drivingneeds.com/)

**Social Security Rejection Letter**

**(Only If You Do Not Have a Social Security Number)**

**Documents to Take to the Social Security Office When You Apply**

1. Passport/Visa
2. I-20
3. I-94 - print your “most recent” (not the “travel history”) online [i94.cbp.dhs.gov/I94/#/home](https://i94.cbp.dhs.gov/I94/%23/home)
4. PSU Student ID Card

*\*Ask for a SSN rejection letter because you are an F-1 student who is not employed on campus and you are seeking a driver’s license. (Note-this letter does not prevent you from obtaining an SSN in the future).*

**Social Security Office:** 717 State Street, Suite 500, Erie, PA 16501 | 1-877-405-2887 | [www.ssa.gov](http://www.ssa.gov/)

**Hours**: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon on Wednesday

Not open on Saturday or Sunday

**Transportation by Bus: Take EMTA Bus 26** – starts at 6:17am and comes to campus every hour

*Note:* This visit could take about 2 hours, depending on how busy the office is.

**Transferring Your Driver’s License to Pennsylvania**

If you are transferring a driver’s license to Pennsylvania from another state in the USA (or if you have a license from a US territory, Canada, Germany, France, Taiwan, or South Korea ONLY). You will not receive a learner’s permit. You will need to pass a vision exam, and you will be issued a new driver’s license at that time. You will need:

* Your current, valid driver’s license – or your license that has been expired for less than 6 months
* Completed form *Application for Pennsylvania Non-Commercial Driver’s License by Out-Of-State Non-CDL Driver:* [*http://www.dot.state.pa.us/Public/DVSPubsForms/BDL/BDL%20Form/DL-180R.pdf*](http://www.dot.state.pa.us/Public/DVSPubsForms/BDL/BDL%20Form/DL-180R.pdf)
* Passport/Visa
* I-20
* I-94 - print your “most recent” (not the “travel history”) online [i94.cbp.dhs.gov/I94/#/home](https://i94.cbp.dhs.gov/I94/%23/home)
* Social security number OR Rejection Letter from Social Security Office
* PSU Student ID Card
* Check or money order for $30.50