

Parking

All students are able to park on campus starting with their first term/year at the institution. All student, faculty/staff vehicles, including motorcycles, are required to be registered and display a parking permit within seven days after classes begin in any term. Purchasing a permit provides the permit holder the privilege of parking in a college-owned parking lot. Violations on vehicles are the responsibility of the operator and/or owner. Permits can be purchased for a term, year, or commuter and are valid for the time and year designated on the permit. Campus parking maps are available at the Safety & Security Office and at: <http://www.coe.edu/campussafety>

A link to purchase permits online is provided via email every summer and is available on my.coe.edu.

For the 2025-2026 academic year, the fees for permits are as follows:

Commuter - \$85/year

Residential Student - \$80/term, \$160/year

Employee - free

Parking Enforcement

Parking regulations are in effect at all times unless designated by Safety & Security. All signs and markings must be obeyed at all times. This includes “reserved” parking (i.e. handicapped, fire lane, security, physical plant, etc.). Parking citations will be written and placed on vehicles in violation of posted parking policies and reserves the right to use a vehicle immobilizer (i.e. “boot”) on vehicles as necessary. Citations range from \$25 to \$100 depending on location, severity, and posted policies. Parking in a live-on staff/reserved space, the Dows parking lot, and/or multiple citations could result in your vehicle being immobilized and a \$100 fine in addition to the fine listed on the citation. Coe uses a third-party vendor (Rydin) to track and bill for parking violations.

Vehicles parked in handicapped spaces must display a special state issued permit. Any lot designation may be eliminated, changed, or re-located at any time and when necessary lot designations are temporarily changed to accommodate campus events such as move-in, move-out, and Homecoming.

Citation Appeals

Individuals can appeal their parking citation by following the instructions on their citation. Appeals are submitted through the Rydin software system and are reviewed by the Director of Safety & Security.

Visitor Parking

It is the responsibility of the student to inform guests/visitors of all college parking regulations. Visitors/guests should obtain a temporary parking permit from Safety & Security. Temporary permits are free. The host student will be held financially and legally responsible for the actions and violations of their guests.

Keeping Your Vehicle Safe

Valuables should not be stored or left in vehicles. Keep your vehicle locked at all times and items out of plain view in order to avoid theft, damage, or loss. While the college has cameras in or near many lots, they cannot see all issues that occur in those locations. If you see a potential issue, please inform Safety & Security at 319-399-8888 immediately. The college assumes no responsibility or liability for loss, theft, or damage to any vehicle or its contents operated or parked on college property.

Parking on City Streets

No vehicle shall impede, in any way, the normal flow of traffic on any street. If you choose to park on a Cedar Rapids city street please make sure you are familiar with city regulations and posted policies. Some streets require you to move your vehicle to a specific side depending on the day of the week and some have different expectations at different times of the year. More information about city parking regulations can be found here: [http://www.cedar-rapids.org/local_government/departments_g - v/public_works/municipal_code_questions.php](http://www.cedar-rapids.org/local_government/departments_g-v/public_works/municipal_code_questions.php)

FAQ

Why can't I park close to my building?

While some buildings have parking nearby, most do not. While this can be inconvenient at times, the fact that we have larger lots near each other (instead of many smaller lots) allows us to use the available space on campus efficiently and we are able to keep the lots more secure. In addition, the average distance between lots and buildings is less as compared to other similar campuses.

How come it seems like there aren't enough spaces on campus for all students' vehicles?

Over the past five years Coe has not sold more permits than spaces on campus. In 2017-18, there were approximately 50 fewer permits sold as compared to overnight spaces available. This means that there are always open spaces available for parking on campus. We do recognize that individuals may not be able to park where they want to park but can assure that spaces are always available (unless special events are occurring). We recommend seeking spots in the larger lots near the new apartments, Kohawk Village, or E Ave before looking in the smaller lots. If you end up parking in a space that isn't ideal, check back in an hour or two and it's likely a space has opened up in the location you prefer.

What if I get a new vehicle?

Log on to the web site where you purchased your permit. All vehicle information can be edited online (make, model, color, plate state/number). You can use your permit from your previous vehicle and do not have to purchase a new permit. If you have lost your permit, a new one can be replaced at minimal cost. If you park more than one vehicle on campus at a time a permit is required for all vehicles.