

Parallel Parking

Turn the wheel Right, Center, Left

- Check traffic to the rear, signal your intentions using your brake lights and right turn signal.
- Position your vehicle 2~3 feet from the vehicle you will be parking behind. (Line up the edge of the vehicle in the middle of the right side of the hood.) Pull even with the vehicle (Mirror to mirror or just past). Adjust the passenger side mirror down. Make your 3 verifications (rear-view mirror; side mirror, blind spot)
- Drive straight back until the back end of the vehicle you are parking behind is at the rear pivot point (disappears into the rear windshield's corner post/ reappears in the rear side window). Quickly turn the wheel completely to the right, continue to back slowly.
- (A) Take your eyes to the rear-view mirror. Watch the curb-line move from one corner of the mirror to the other. When the curb disappears from the mirror..., -OR (B)- When the "center post" (separating the front and back seat areas) passes the back end of the vehicle you are parking behind..., straighten the wheel. Back up in a straight line.
- When the passenger-side mirror covers the taillight of the vehicle you are parking behind, turn the wheel quickly to the left. Continue to back slowly.
- When your car is parallel to the curb (using the side mirror to confirm) shift into drive, straighten the wheel, and drive to the middle of the parking space. (*Remember to back-up before unparking*)