

STUDENT TRANSPORTATION IN PRIVATE VEHICLES BY EMPLOYEES

Students transported for school-related or school-sponsored purposes shall use District-owned vehicles whenever possible. Privately-owned vehicles may be used for student transportation when, in the opinion of the Superintendent of Schools or his/her designee, or the Principal or his/her designee, this is the most practical or only possible method of transportation.

Vehicles, drivers, and insurance coverage shall meet or exceed all requirements of the law. Specifically:

1. Vehicles shall be defined as privately-owned vehicles designed to carry nine (9) passengers or less, used to transport one (1) or more students for school purposes as authorized by the Superintendent or his/her designee.
2. Drivers shall be defined as District patrons and/or school employees who transport children for school purposes through intermittent arrangements, and who may or may not receive mileage reimbursement. Drivers shall sign appropriate forms and agreements as required by the District administration.
3. Drivers must be at least twenty-one (21) years of age; of good moral character, and not addicted to the use of alcohol, narcotics, or other habit forming drugs; possess a valid Colorado driver's license and not have more than eight (8) points currently assessed against that license. Principals are encouraged to verify drivers license and insurance by seeing a copy of the current license and proof of insurance card.
4. Insurance requirements of the State of Colorado shall be observed.
5. In cases of emergency, students may be transported in private vehicles without complying with the above provisions, but only if there appears to be a real and imminent danger to persons or property.

School administrators and other personnel designated by the Superintendent are granted standard authorization by the Board. Other employees, such as coaches, music teachers and activity sponsors, may be granted special permission to transport students in private vehicles, subject to the requirements set forth above.

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