

Policy EDDAA: Transporting Students to Events in Vehicles Other than Buses

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While students are being transported for trips to and from school sites or agricultural education sites or for trips to and from agricultural education-related events or competitions, school buses are to be used whenever practical.

This school board may regularly permit the use of motor vehicles other than school buses when the transportation is for trips to and from school sites or agricultural education sites or for trips to and from agricultural education-related events or competitions, but is not for customary transportation between a student's residence and such sites.

When the transportation of students is provided, in a vehicle other than a school bus that is owned, operated, rented, contracted, or leased by this school district, the following provisions shall apply:

1. The vehicle must be a passenger car or multipurpose passenger vehicle or truck, as defined in 49 C.F.R. Part 571, designed to transport fewer than ten (10) students. Students must be transported in designated seating positions and must use the occupant crash protection system provided by the manufacturer unless the student's physical condition prohibits such use.
 2. An authorized vehicle may not be driven by a student on a public right-of-way. An authorized vehicle may be driven by a student on school or private property as part of the student's educational curriculum if no other student is in the vehicle.
 3. The driver of an authorized vehicle transporting students must maintain a valid driver's license and must comply with the requirements of the school district's locally adopted safe driver plan, which includes review of driving records for disqualifying violations.
 4. The superintendent or designee shall establish procedures specifying guidelines and consequences for violation of the policy.
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