

## BUSINESS AND NONINSTRUCTIONAL OPERATIONS

### SCHOOL-RELATED TRIPS

BP 3541.1(a)

#### **Trips by School Vehicles**

Besides taking students to and from school, the Board may approve transportation for field trips and school-sponsored activities. The Superintendent or designee shall regulate the use of the district transportation for approved school-related activities. Student councils, parent-teacher associations, and any other organizations requesting transportation shall be fully responsible for the costs of the trip. To the extent that funding has been approved by the Board, such costs may be charged to the district.

#### **Transportation by Private Automobile**

The Superintendent or designee may authorize the transportation of students by private automobile for approved field trips and activities when the vehicle is driven by an adult registered with the district for such purposes. Drivers shall be issued safety instructions and emergency information. All student passengers shall provide permission slips signed by their parents/guardians.

Drivers shall be required to possess a valid driver's license and liability insurance of at least \$100,000 per occurrence.

Owners, drivers and passengers shall be informed that the registered owner and his/her insurance company are responsible for any accidents which may occur. District personnel who frequently transport students in their private vehicles are urged to carry liability insurance of \$300,000 or more per occurrence.

A seat belt must be provided for each passenger. Trucks and pickups may not transport more persons than can safely sit in the passenger compartment.

Owners furnishing private vehicles shall not accept reimbursement from passengers in excess of the cost of operating the vehicle. Reimbursement for the use of private transportation may be made from district funds.

#### **Transportation by other private means (boat, ATV, off-road vehicles, snow machines)**

The Superintendent or designee may authorize the transportation of students by other private means for approved field trips and activities when an adult registered with the district for such purposes operates the vehicle. Operators shall be issued safety instructions and emergency information. Operators must abide by the specific vehicle safety ratings such as passenger capacity, maximum speed and required safety equipment (helmets, life jackets, etc.)

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All student passengers shall provide permission slips signed by their parents/guardians. Operators shall be required to possess a valid driver's license and liability insurance of at least \$100,000 per occurrence.

*(cf. 6153 - School-sponsored Trips)*

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