

USE OF PRIVATE VEHICLES TO TRANSPORT STUDENTS

1. Any use of private vehicles for transportation of students to or from school, on field trips, to athletic events, or other school functions, must have prior authorization by the Superintendent or his or her designee in conformance with policies IJOA and IJOA-R. Those providing unauthorized student transportation do so at their own expense and liability and are subjected to disciplinary actions should such actions occur.
2. Any employee or private citizen using their own or a rented vehicle to provide school-authorized student transportation must have auto liability insurance of not less than \$100,000/\$300,000 split limits coverage. The District will maintain liability insurance, which will be in excess of the owner's primary insurance for authorized student transportation. A copy of an insurance binder naming the district as an additional insured must be provided and kept on file prior to the event.
3. A person under contract to transport one or more children to or from school, on field trips, to athletic events, or other school functions, must have a valid School Bus Driver Certificate from the New Hampshire Department of Safety. This person's vehicle must be approved by the New Hampshire Department of Safety as meeting all applicable school bus safety standards. (Parents transporting their own children are exempt from this requirement, even if reimbursed by the School District.)
4. Those providing transportation on an incidental basis, i.e., not specifically as part of a contract to transport, must have a valid driver's license, a vehicle which has a current N.H. inspection sticker, and adequate insurance as referenced above. A commercial license is required for any vehicle that has a capacity of 16 or more.
5. The Board specifically forbids any employee to transport students for school purposes without prior authorization by the Superintendent or his or her designee. All employees who regularly transport students must have a School Bus Driver Certificate.
6. Reimbursement for use of private vehicles may be made, but only if the employee or other person has the prior approval of the designated administrator.

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