Echo School District 5R

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Student Transportation in Private Vehicles

Transportation of students will be by the district's transportation system or by a school district employee's automobile, properly insured, except as provided as follows.

Parents may be permitted to use private vehicles to transport students other than their own children on field trips or other school activities under the following conditions:

- 1. The school administrator has approved the activity;
- 2. A permission slip signed by each student's parents/guardians has been received by the principal or his/her designee, granting permission for the student to participate in the field trip and to ride in a privately-owned vehicle.
- 3. The parent/guardian or other adult driving the automobile is properly licensed to drive and has the automobile liability insurance required in the state of Oregon;
- 4. The vehicle contains an adequate number of seat restraints, including when applicable, a child safety system for a child who weighs less than 40 pounds, regardless of age, and the adult driver requires their use. The child safety system must elevate the person so that a safety belt or safety harness properly fits the individual and meets the minimum standards and specifications of law. A person who weighs over 40 pounds and who is under four feet nine inches and under eight years of age must be properly secured with a child safety system that elevates the person so that a safety belt or harness properly fits the person. A person who is taller than four feet nine inches or eight years of age or older must be properly secured with a safety belt or harness that meets the requirements under ORS 815.055. Training in the proper installation and use of child safety system may be required.

The district will develop procedures to implement this policy

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

<u>ORS 801</u>.455 <u>ORS 815</u>.055 <u>ORS 815</u>.080

Cross Reference(s):

EIB - Liability Insurance IICA - Field Trips and Excursions

¹ "Proper fit" means the lap belt of the safety belt or harness is positioned low across the thighs and the shoulder belt is positioned over the collarbone and away from the neck.