

Student Transportation in Private Vehicle

Transportation of students shall be by the district's transportation system or by a district employee's vehicle, properly insured, except as provided below.

Principals may authorize parents to drive students other than their own children, on field trips or on other school activities under the following conditions prior to the activity:

1. The school administrator has approved the activity and the parent driving the private vehicle;
2. A permission slip signed by each student's parent(s) has been received by the principal/designee, granting permission for the student to participate in the field trip/activity and to ride in a privately-owned vehicle;
3. The parent, employee or other adult driving the vehicle is properly licensed to drive and has provided proof of insurance. Such insurance shall meet or exceed minimum requirements as established by the state of Oregon and as set by the district;
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 person¹. 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.

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.

No mileage will be paid to students for the use of private vehicles for participation in any extra-curricular activities.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 801.455](#)

[ORS 811.210](#)

[ORS 815.055](#)

[ORS 815.080](#)

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