



EEAG - STUDENT TRANSPORTATION IN PRIVATE VEHICLES

Transportation of students in private vehicles to and/or from “field trips and other activities away from school” as defined in District Policy IJOA (hereinafter “field trip/activity”) is only permitted in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in this policy. This policy shall not apply with respect to parents/guardians who transport their own children and no other students to and/or from a field trip/activity, and shall not apply with respect to students who transport themselves and no other students to and/or from a field trip/activity.

GENERAL RULES

A District permission form must be signed by the parent or guardian of a student before the student may be transported in a private vehicle to and/or from a field trip/activity.

In order to transport students to and/or from a field trip/activity, a driver must complete a District driver application form and satisfy all provisions of the APPROVED DRIVERS section below. Approved drivers must be authorized in writing by the school principal or principal’s designee before they may transport students to and/or from a field trip/activity.

In order to be used to transport students to and/or from a field trip/activity, a private vehicle must satisfy all provisions of the APPROVED VEHICLES section below.

Drivers who fail to comply with all provisions of this policy may be prohibited from transporting students to and/or from field trips/activities. District employee drivers who fail to comply with all provisions of this policy shall be subject to discipline up to and including termination of their employment. District student drivers who fail to comply with all provisions of this policy shall be subject to discipline as provided under applicable provisions of the District’s Student Code of Conduct.

APPROVED DRIVERS

Approved drivers shall be: (a) District employees; (b) District students; or (c) authorized volunteers that are qualified and registered as provided under District Policy KJ.

Approved drivers shall have a valid current driver’s license under which they are permitted to transport students to and/or from field trips/activities and to operate the approved vehicle used for such transportation.

Approved drivers shall have automobile insurance with coverages for their operation of the approved vehicle as required under Colorado law.

Approved drivers shall have no physical or mental impairments that prevent them from safely operating the approved vehicle and complying with all applicable laws, including but not limited to traffic laws.

Approved drivers shall require all passengers to wear seatbelts or other restraints as required by law at all times when transporting students to and/or from field trips/activities, and shall otherwise operate the approved vehicle in accordance with governing laws, including but not limited to traffic laws, at all times it is being used to transport students to and/or from field trips/activities.

Approved drivers shall provide a motor vehicle report upon request from the risk manager or risk manager's designee, and as a condition of transporting students to and/or from field trips/activities shall maintain a driving record that meets the standards established by the risk manager.

APPROVED VEHICLES

Approved vehicles shall have a seating capacity of no more than ten (10) passengers, including the driver.

Approved vehicles shall be in safe and reliable working condition.

The condition and maintenance of approved vehicles shall be in compliance with applicable laws.

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LEGAL REFS:
C.R.S. 22-32-113 & -114

CROSS REFS:
GBEC, Employee Use and Possession of Drugs and Alcohol
IJOA, Field Trips and Other Activities Away from School
JKDA/JKEA, Grounds for Suspension/Expulsion of Students
KJ, Volunteers