

USE OF PRIVATE VEHICLES TO TRANSPORT STUDENTS

In scheduling transportation for field trips or school activities, school transportation vehicles will be used. The Superintendent may, in very limited circumstances, authorize the use of private vehicles. When private vehicles are used for transporting students, the following requirements shall be met:

1. Only an adult (non-high school student) licensed driver shall be allowed to drive the vehicle. The health and driving quality of the driver shall also be taken into consideration;
2. The vehicle shall be equipped with seatbelts and the number of passengers limited to the number of seatbelts available. Seatbelts shall be used at all times by all passengers when the vehicle is in operation;
3. The vehicle shall be generally in good condition, particularly as it pertains to safety equipment such as brakes, horn, tires, lights, etc.;
4. Vehicle and driver shall be insured to a minimum of the following limits:
 - a. Liability: \$1,000,000
 - b. Auto Medical Payments: \$5,000
 - c. Uninsured Motorists: \$50,000
 - d. Underinsured Motorists: \$50,000
5. No open-type vehicle, such as a pickup or truck, shall be used for transporting students other than in the cab of the vehicle where proper seat belts can be used;
6. Written permission will be obtained from the parents of all students who will be riding in a private vehicle.

Legal Reference: Iowa Code §§ 256B.4; 285.1-.4; 321 (2013).
281 I.A.C. 41.98; 43.
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