

Boulder Valley School District

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STUDENT TRANSPORTATION IN PRIVATE VEHICLES

The District's insurance policies do not cover accidents involving private vehicles. Students transported for school-connected or school-sponsored purposes shall use District-owned vehicles whenever possible. Private vehicles may be used for student transportation when, in the opinion of the building principal, the use of private vehicles for student transportation constitutes the most practical or only possible method of transportation.

For purposes of this policy and its enacting regulations, the term "private vehicle" means any vehicle not owned by the School District. Owners and drivers of private vehicles used for student transportation must obtain the building principal's written approval prior to such transport. Approval forms shall be obtained from the building principal.

Vehicles, drivers, and insurance coverage shall meet or exceed all requirements of the law. Specifically:

- 1. Vehicles shall be defined as private vehicles designed to carry nine passengers or less, and used to transport one or more student(s) for school purposes as authorized by the building principal.
- 2. *Drivers* shall be defined as persons who transport children for school purposes through intermittent arrangements, and who may or may not receive mileage reimbursement. Drivers shall sign appropriate forms and agreements as required by the District administration.

Drivers must be at least 21 years of age; of good moral character, and not addicted to the use of alcohol, narcotics, or other habit forming drugs; and must possess a valid Colorado driver's license.

3. *Insurance requirements* of the State of Colorado shall be observed by drivers and owners of private vehicles used for student transportation. In addition, the Board requires liability insurance coverage in the amount of \$100,000/\$300,000. Evidence of such

coverage must be received by the school principal prior to vehicle use.

- 4. In cases of emergency, students may be transported in private vehicles without complying with the above provisions, but only if there is real and imminent danger to persons or property.
- 5. Consent forms must be signed by the parent/guardian of any transported student prior to such transport pursuant to Policy IICA and IICA-R.

 Current practice codified 1978

LEGAL REFS.: C.R.S. 10-4-706 C.R.S. 42-7-103(14)

AGREEMENT REFS.: Teachers' agreement, Section C Paraprofessionals' agreement, Section C

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