The Board authorizes the use of private vehicles under the following circumstances:

- A. Under unusual circumstances, the District may request parents, or a responsible adult, to drive children to school in their own vehicles on a permile cost reimbursable basis. The transportation department determines when "in-lieu" transportation would be advantageous to the District and arranges its implementation. In cases where car pools are formed by families, reimbursement shall be provided only to the parent whose car is used to transport the students to schools.
- B. Upon written approval of the principal, staff may transport students when a student's welfare is involved; when due care dictates prompt action, when engaged in occasional field trip activity or when engaged in an occasional extracurricular activity. The staff member shall acknowledge that he/she agrees to assume full responsibility for any liability or property damage, comprehensive or collision, made by or against the driver/owner of the vehicle. The District's liability insurance shall cover the risk assumed by the district. The mileage of the staff member shall be reimbursed by the District. If a student is of opposite sex of coach and/or teacher staff member must be accompanied by an additional staff member.
- C. Any driver of a private vehicle, who transports students, must show evidence of \$100,000/\$300,000 bodily injury liability and \$50,000 property damage for the vehicle.

The Superintendent shall establish procedures for the use of private automobile transportation.

Legal References: RCW 28A.160.030 Authorizing Individual Transportation or

Other Arrangements

WAC 392-143-070 Other Vehicles Used to Transport

Students

Cross Reference: Policy 8121 Private Vehicle Transportation

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