

**Tuwamater School District
Board Policy**

PRIVATE VEHICLE TRANSPORTATION

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 per-mile 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 will be provided only to the parent whose car is used to transport the students to school; or
- B. Upon written approval of the supervisor, staff may transport students under the following circumstances: when a student's welfare is involved; or when due care dictates prompt action. Prior to transporting students in their private vehicle, the staff member will acknowledge that he/she agrees to assume full responsibility for any liability, or property damage, comprehensive or collision claim made by or against the driver/owner of the vehicle. The district's liability insurance will cover the risk assumed by the district. The mileage of the staff member will be reimbursed by the district.

The superintendent will establish procedures for the use of private auto transportation.

Legal References: RCW28A.160.030 Authorizing individual transportation or other arrangements
 WAC392-143-070 Other vehicles used to transport students

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