## Elective Course, Activity, or Elective School Sponsored Program

When a student in an elective course, activity, or elective school sponsored program is required to travel individually, (i.e., not as part of a group of students), away from their school campus pursuant to curricular or program requirements, transportation may not be provided by district vehicle. Examples of this include travel required by the curriculum of a Career & Technical Education (CTE) course, Associated Student Body (ASB) service, or participation in a practicum in community involvement, or similar course or program. An exception is district transportation for high school students attending New Market Skills Center.

In circumstances where a student travels individually as part of the requirements for such an elective course or school-sponsored program, arrangements for travel are solely the responsibility of the student's parent/guardian and will not be provided or controlled by the district. The assessment and decision whether it is safe to allow a student to drive to such programs, or to allow a student to ride with another student driving, is a family decision to be made between students and their own parents/guardians. No student shall be permitted to enroll in an elective course or elective school-sponsored program that would require them to travel away from the school premises unless the student's parent/guardian first completes and returns to the teacher or advisor of the course or program a parent/guardian elective course or program student transportation agreement.

## Open Campus During Lunch

When high schools allow an open campus during lunch time, unless a student is required to remain on campus by staff, arrangements for travel off-campus are solely the responsibility of the student's parent/guardian and will not be controlled by the district. the assessment and decision whether it is safe to allow a student to drive off-campus during lunch, or to allow a student to ride with another student driving (within the confines of the law), is a family decision to be made between students and their own parents/guardians.

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