

Policy

PRIVATELY OWNED VEHICLES

In recommending arrangements for pupil transportation to and from school- related activities, the Superintendent of Schools shall consider the type of activity, the total number of pupils involved, and the availability of appropriate vehicles. Groups of pupils too small in number to make economical use of Type I or Type II vehicles may be transported in privately owned passenger vehicles driven by qualified school personnel, state employees and parents/guardians.

Transportation by Volunteer Drivers

The Business Administrator/Board Secretary shall supplement the transportation resources of the district by identifying qualified school personnel, state employees and parents/guardians who are willing to provide transportation for district pupils to and from school-related activities.

Qualifications shall include:

- A. A valid New Jersey (or other) driver's license with no convictions for moving violations;
- B. A private passenger vehicle of eight or fewer capacity, with a current New Jersey or other inspection sticker; and
- C. Evidence of at least the statutorily required insurance coverage.

The Business Administrator/Board Secretary shall develop and the board shall adopt detailed regulations to ensure:

- A. District approval of activities involved;
- B. District determination of drivers and assignment of pupils to them;
- C. Pupil safety in pickup, transit and drop-off;
- D. Adequate supervision of pupils at the activity.

Transportation of Pupils by District Employees as Part of Assigned Duties

District employees who transport pupils in a private vehicle during working hours as part of their assigned duties shall:

- A. Have a current New Jersey (or other) driver's license with no convictions for moving violations;
- B. Use a privately owned passenger vehicle of eight or fewer capacity with evidence of at least the statutorily required insurance coverage. The vehicle must have a current inspection sticker;
- C. Conform to all safety practices set forth in the regulations to this policy.

PRIVATELY OWNED VEHICLES (continued)

Implementation of this section shall be in conformity with applicable negotiated agreement.

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Key Words

Privately Owned Vehicles, Auxiliary Pupil Transportation, Pupil Transportation, Student Transportation

Legal References: N.J.S.A. 18A:16-6 Indemnity of officers and employees against civil actions
N.J.S.A. 18A:39-20.1 Transportation to and from related school activities in private vehicle with capacity of eight or less; authorization of qualified school personnel, state employees or parents
N.J.A.C. 6A:27-7.6 Transportation to and from related school activities
N.J.A.C. 6A:27-7.7 Parent transporting his or her own child or children

Possible

Cross References: *5020 Role of parents/guardians
*6145 Extracurricular activities
*6145.1/6145.2 Intramural competition; interscholastic competition
*6153 Field trips

*Indicates policy is included in the Critical Policy Reference Manual.