



Book	Policy Manual
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Cell Phone Usage

Drivers shall not use cell phones or hands-free devices while operating the motor vehicle. Drivers must stop the vehicle prior to and while operating a cell phone [or hands-free device](#).

Trips by School Vehicles

Besides taking students to and from school, the Superintendent may approve transportation for field trips and school-sponsored activities. The Superintendent shall regulate the use of the District transportation for approved school-related activities. Student councils, parent-teacher associations, and any other organizations requesting transportation shall be fully responsible for the costs of the trip. To the extent that funding has been approved by the Superintendent, such costs may be charged to the District.

Transportation by Private Automobile or Vans

The Superintendent may authorize the transportation of students by private automobile for approved field trips and activities. [Per 49 U.S.C. §30112 students may not be transported in 15 passenger vans manufactured prior to September 1, 2011. Due to safety concerns, students may not be transported in a 9 to 15 passenger van - for any reason per 49 U.S.C. 30112. This includes vans that are privately owned or rented.](#) Eight-passenger (or less) minivans [or 15 passenger vans manufactured after September 1, 2011](#) are allowed. Whenever students are being transported in any motorized vehicle [E3541.1\(a\) School Driver Registration Form must should](#) be completed. Additionally, [E3541.1\(b\) Private Vehicle Transport Safety Check must needs to](#) be completed for student transport by any privately owned vehicle.

Trips Involving Students as Passengers

Drivers [must shall](#) be an adult age twenty-one (21) or older, registered with the District, possess a valid driver's license and liability insurance of at least \$100,000 per occurrence.

Drivers [must shall](#) be issued safety instructions and emergency information.

All student passengers [must shall](#) provide permission slips signed by their parents/guardians.

Owners, drivers and passengers [must shall](#) be informed that the registered owner and [their his/her](#) insurance company are responsible for any accidents which may occur.

Transportation of students in vehicles operated by another student is prohibited.

In the event of an accident, regardless of damage or injury, the principal shall notify the Superintendent at the earliest possible time.

Trips Involving a Student as Driver

Student as a Driver must shall be required to possess a valid driver's license and liability insurance as required by state law.

Student as a Driver must shall provide permission slip signed by parents/guardians.

Student as a Driver must shall be issued safety instructions and emergency information

Student as a Driver must shall be informed that the registered owner and their his/her insurance company are responsible for any accidents which may occur.

Transportation of students in vehicles operated by another student is prohibited.

In the event of an accident, regardless of damage or injury, the principal must shall notify the Superintendent at the earliest possible time.