

Tigard-Tualatin School District 23J

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Student Transportation in Private Vehicle

Transportation of students will be by the district's transportation system except as provided below.

Parents, employees and other designated adults may be permitted to use private vehicles to transport students other than their own on field trips or other school activities if the following conditions have been met prior to the activity:

1. The school administrator has approved the activity;
2. Authorization by the student's parent/guardian has been received by the principal or designee, granting permission for the student to participate in the field trip/activity and to ride in a privately-owned vehicle;
3. The proposed driver has met district requirements and is willing to accept liability of transporting students;
4. Privately-owned vehicles shall be properly licensed and insured. Such insurance shall meet or exceed minimum requirements as established by the state of Oregon and as set by the district. Drivers shall provide a copy of a valid driver's license;
5. The vehicle contains an adequate number of seat restraints, including when applicable, a child safety system for a child who weighs less than 40 pounds, regardless of age, and the adult driver requires their use. The child safety system must elevate the person so that a safety belt or safety harness properly fits the individual and meets the minimum standards and specifications of law. A person over 40 pounds or who has reached the upper weight limit for the forward-facing car seat must use a booster seat until reaching four feet nine inches tall or age eight and the adult belt fits properly¹. A person who is taller than four feet nine inches or eight years of age or older must be properly secured with a safety belt or harness that meets the requirements under Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 815.055. Training in the proper installation and use of child safety system may be required. The driver is responsible for not placing children under the age of 13 in the front seat of a vehicle equipped with passenger-side air bags.
6. At least two adults must accompany a single student being transported in a private vehicle.

The district will develop procedures to implement this policy.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 332.107](#)
[ORS 801.455](#)

[ORS 811.210](#)
[ORS 815.055](#)

[ORS 815.080](#)
[OAR 735-102-0010](#)

¹ "Proper fit" means the lap belt of the safety belt or safety harness is positioned low across the thighs and the shoulder belt is positioned over the collarbone and away from the neck.

Cross Reference(s):

IICA - Student Field Trips