

TRANSPORTATION FOR SCHOOL-RELATED TRIPS

The district may provide transportation for students, employees, and other individuals for field trips and other school-related trips approved according to Board policy and administrative regulation.

The Superintendent or designee shall determine the most appropriate and cost-effective mode of transportation for each approved trip. He/she may authorize the use of district vehicles, contract to provide transportation, or arrange transportation by the use of other vehicles.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the district or contractor has sufficient liability insurance for transportation on school-related trips.

When district transportation is provided, students may be released from using district transportation only with the advance written permission of their parents/guardians.

School-related organizations requesting transportation shall be fully responsible for the costs of their trips unless funding has been approved by the Governing Board.

Transportation by Private Vehicle

The Superintendent or designee may authorize the transportation of students by private vehicle when the vehicle is driven by an adult age 25 or older who possesses a valid California driver's license or, if he/she is a nonresident on active military duty in California, possesses a valid license from his/her state of residence. To be approved, a driver shall have a good driving record and possess at least the minimum insurance required by law. Any person providing transportation to district students in a private vehicle shall register with the district for such purposes.

Drivers shall receive safety and emergency instructions which shall be kept in their vehicle.

All student passengers shall submit permission slips signed by their parents/guardians. Teachers shall ensure that each driver has a copy of the permission slip for each student riding in his/her vehicle.

The number of passengers, including the driver, shall not exceed the capacity for which the vehicle was designed. Trucks may not transport more persons than can safely sit in the passenger compartment. The driver shall ensure that the manufacturer's recommendations for his/her vehicle are followed regarding the seating of children in seats equipped with airbags.

The driver or any other person shall not smoke or have in his/her immediate possession a lighted pipe, cigar, or cigarette containing tobacco or any other plant when there is a minor in the motor vehicle, whether the motor vehicle is in motion or at rest. (Health and Safety Code 118948)

All drivers shall wear safety belts and shall ensure that all passengers are properly secured in seat belts or child passenger restraint systems in accordance with law. (Vehicle Code 27315, 27360, 27360.5, 27363)

Passenger Restraint Systems

All drivers shall wear safety belts and shall ensure that all passengers are properly secured in seat belts or child passenger restraint systems in accordance with law. (Vehicle Code 27315, 27360, 27360.5, 27363)

A child who is under age 8 years shall be properly secured in a rear seat in an appropriate child passenger restraint system meeting federal safety standards, except under any of the following circumstances: (Vehicle Code 27360, 27363)

1. The child is four feet nine inches or taller, in which case a safety belt may be used.
2. Use of a child passenger restraint system would be impractical by reason of physical unfitness, medical condition, or size and an appropriate special needs child passenger restraint system is not available.
3. There is no rear seat, the rear seats are side-facing jump seats or rear-facing seats, the child passenger restraint system cannot be installed properly in the rear seat, all rear seats are already occupied by children under age 8 years, or medical reasons necessitate that the child not ride in the rear seat.
4. The child is otherwise exempted by law.

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This form is to be completed by all persons in the following categories:

- Larkspur-Corte Madera School District Employees claiming mileage
- Volunteer drivers transporting Larkspur-Corte Madera School District students (field trip drivers)

1. California Driver's License

Full Name: _____

Address: _____

License Number: _____ **Expiration Date:** _____

2. Automobile Liability Insurance

Company: _____

Policy Number: _____ **Expiration Date:** _____

My insurance policy limits are:

\$ _____ / _____ **Bodily Injury** \$ _____ **Property Damage**

*Larkspur-Corte Madera School District required limits to drive on field trips:
\$100,000/\$300,000 Bodily - Injury / \$25,000 Property Damage*

3. Vehicle capacity, one passenger per seat belt. All passengers shall use their seat belts.
4. The vehicle is in safe operating condition based on inspection by me or a mechanic as to lights, horns, turn signals, brakes, tires, and suspension.
5. I agree not to smoke in front of the children at any time, or to drink alcoholic beverages on any school sponsored activity, including overnight trips, in conformance with the provisions of the California Education Code.

I certify that above information to be correct. I understand that my insurance is primary in case of an accident and that the Larkspur-Corte Madera School District accepts no responsibility for damage or loss to my vehicle.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Student's Name: _____ **School:** _____

DRIVER INSTRUCTIONS

When using your vehicle to transport students on field trips or other school activity trips:

1. Be sure that you have registered with the district for such purposes and have a valid driver's license and current liability insurance at or above the minimum amount required by law for each occurrence.
2. Check the safety of your vehicle: tires, brakes, lights, horn, suspension, etc.
3. Carry only the number of passengers for which your vehicle was designed. If you have a pickup truck, carry only as many as can safely sit in the passenger compartment.
4. Require each passenger to use an appropriate child passenger restraint system (child car seat or booster seat) or safety belt in accordance with law.
5. Do not smoke a pipe, cigar, or cigarette while there are minors in the vehicle, as required by law.
6. Obey all traffic laws.
7. Take the most direct route to the destination or event without unnecessary stops.

In case of emergency, keep all students together and call 911 and the district office.