

## USE OF SCHOOL-OWNED VEHICLES

Only designated employees are authorized to use school-owned vehicles in accordance with the following regulations. School-owned vehicles are defined as any motorized piece of equipment including, but not limited to, buses, trucks, gators, golf carts, etc.

### Authorized Vehicles and Users

The Superintendent/designee:

1. authorizes which employees have the use of school-owned vehicles;
2. keeps a record of their drivers' license numbers;
3. checks all drivers' driving records annually and
4. keeps a list of vehicles and appropriate insurance coverages.

### Authorized Uses

1. Unless specific permission is granted by the Superintendent, use of school-owned vehicles is restricted to District business only.
2. All cargo must be related to the performance of District business.
3. The cost of gasoline and oil is reimbursed only upon submitting the proper receipts.

### Unauthorized Uses

Drivers are prohibited from:

1. operating vehicles while under the influences of drugs and/or alcohol;
2. transporting non-school passengers, including hitchhikers and
3. operating vehicles while talking on the cellular telephone unless using the approved communication equipment provided for use in job-related duties.

Record Keeping

Drivers are required to keep and maintain accurate records when using vehicles for personal use. Personal use of school-owned vehicles must be reported as a taxable benefit in accordance with Internal Revenue Service regulations.

Vehicle Care and Maintenance

1. School-owned vehicles must be maintained and operated in a safe and efficient manner.
2. Drivers must report any defect or damage as soon as one is identified or sustained.
3. Drivers are responsible for the interior cleanliness of vehicles used.

Observance of All Laws, Policies and Regulations

Drivers must:

1. comply with all applicable Federal, State, local and Board laws, regulations and policies;
2. wear seat belts;
3. be personally liable for all traffic and parking violations and supply proof of payment;
4. maintain a valid drivers' license and insurance;
5. immediately notify the Superintendent/designee if their driving privileges change in any way, e.g., license suspension or revocation and
6. immediately report any accident or related injury to the proper governmental authority and the Superintendent/designee.

Violators are subject to disciplinary action up to and including termination.

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