

**JOHN STARK REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT****Use of Private Vehicles to Transport Students Policy**

**I.** For the protection of students, faculty, staff as well as the supporting school communities, faculty and staff are not permitted to transport students in their personal vehicles. The John Stark School Board will provide school authorized transportation to and from extra-curricular activities according to the following guidelines.

- School authorized transportation will be provided:
  - Following school-sponsored morning events when the students need to be transported directly to school for the beginning of the school day; (Example: athletic practice)
  - To school sponsored afternoon events when the students are transported directly after the school day ends; (Example: math meet)
  - During the school day as part of an academic program or co-curricular activity; (Examples: field trips or student internships)
  - To and/or from school sponsored events outside the school day as directed by the coach or advisor; (Example: Saturday away football game)
  
- A student may drive himself or herself as allowed by school policies and procedures, however no student may drive another student as a part of school authorized transportation.
  
- Parents and school employees may drive students as part of school authorized transportation within the guidelines set below in part III.

**II.** Employees of the school district may not use their cars to transport students aside from school authorized transportation. Employees may not lend their cars to students. (Example: running errands)

**III.** Parents or employees of the district may drive students as part of school authorized transportation providing that:

- Proof of adequate insurance is on file with the main office;
- Permission of the principal or his or her designee is obtained in advance;
- Permission of the parents/guardians of the students being transported is obtained in advance.

Parents or employees of the district may not drive school vans or school buses without a valid school bus driver's license.

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