

Lewis Center for Educational Research

BP 3540: TRANSPORTATION

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Revised:

The Board of Directors desires to provide for the safe and efficient transportation of students to school sponsored events. The extent to which the organization provides for transportation services shall depend upon student and community needs and a continuing assessment of financial resources including organization funds and state reimbursements, if any.

The President or designee shall recommend to the Board the most economical and appropriate means of providing transportation services.

The President or designee shall develop procedures to promote safety for students traveling on school buses.

The goals of transportation services are to:

1. Provide maximum safety for students on school-sponsored trips.
2. Promote desirable student behavior and respect for traffic safety.
3. Provide assistance and transportation for disabled student, as may be required by law.
4. Provide transportation for field trips and off-campus activities when possible.

All school buses shall comply with inspection requirements specified in the Vehicle Code and administered by the California Highway Patrol.

The President or designee shall ensure the qualifications of bus drivers and related staff employed by the organization, provide for the maintenance and operation of organization-owned school buses and other equipment, and ensure adequate facilities for equipment storage and maintenance.

Transportation of Single Students

Other than: (1) on regularly scheduled runs, as approved by Board action; or (2) as authorized in advance by the President/designee, no employee, other than a police officer, either certificated or classified, shall transport or ever be left alone in any vehicle (school bus, driver education car, or other organization vehicle, or private automobile) with a single student.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

[35330](#) Excursions and field trips

[35350](#) Authority to transport pupils

[39800-39860](#) Transportation, especially:

[39800](#) Powers of governing board to provide transportation for pupils to and from school;
definition of "municipally owned transit system"

[39801](#) Contract with County Superintendent of Schools to provide transportation

[39802-39803](#) Bids and contracts for transportation services

[39806](#) Payments to parents in lieu of transportation

[39807](#) Food and lodging payments in lieu of transportation

38807.5 Transportation fees

[39808](#) District transportation of private school students

[41850-41854](#) Allowances for transportation

[41860-41862](#) Supplemental allowances for transportation

[45125.1](#) Criminal background checks for contractors

GOVERNMENT CODE

[3540-3549.3](#) Educational Employment Relations Act

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

[14100-14103](#) Use of school buses and school pupil activity buses

[15240-15343](#) Allowances for student transportation, especially:

[15253-15272](#) District records related to transportation

VEHICLE CODE

[2807](#) School bus inspection

COURT DECISIONS

Arcadia Unified School District *eL al. v. State Department of Education*, 2 CaL 4th 251
(1992)