ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION ARRANGEMENTS

If special conditions exist where it is more economical to contract for pupil transportation services, the administration may seek bids or quotations for such services.

Any contract approved shall not exceed one year, and shall provide, in addition to other provisions, that the party contracting to transport pupils agrees to comply with and observe all provisions of the Vehicle Code and all other applicable laws, rules, and regulations prescribed by the State of California, any other state agency, and those of the Board of Education relating to the transportation of pupils.

Private vehicles shall not be used to transport students unless approved by the Superintendent/designee.

In lieu of providing in whole or in part for the transportation of the pupil attending the schools of the county, the Superintendent may pay to the parents or guardians of the pupils, a sum not to exceed the cost of actual and necessary travel incurred in transporting such pupils to and from the regular-day schools of the district. No payment shall be made under this statement unless it will be more economical to make the payments than to provide for the transportation of the pupils involved.

In instances in which bus transportation is not furnished, parents of pupils may apply for "payments in lieu" for miles traveled and, upon approval, will be reimbursed at the approved rate.

Legal reference: EDUCATION CODE 39800 Authority to provide transportation 39806 Payments in lieu of transportation 39807 Food and lodging in lieu of transportation 39807.5 Requirement to pay portion of cost 41850 Home-to-school transportation; special education transportation

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