Sacred Heart School

PARENT TRANSPORTATION OF STUDENTS

Transportation of School children from one location to another by private automobile presents some unique problems. Drivers and owners of vehicles used for these purposes should understand and be willing to accept certain responsibilities and liabilities.

In the case of transportation volunteered by parents, should there be any claim in an accident or injury, their (the parent’s) insurance would apply.

Parents driving automobiles for school planned activities and events must complete the form below. This will assure parents, children and the school of your willingness to accept the legal responsibilities and liabilities involved.

Please complete this form and return it to the school office along with the following:

1. A copy of your insurance policy which indicates the dollar amounts of coverage for each category.
2. A copy of your valid California Drivers License (including extension, if applicable).

Note: See reverse for additional requirements.

CERTIFICATION OF AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE

I, ____________________________, hereby certify that I am at least 21 years of age and have automobile insurance of at least:

$500,000.00 – combined single limit for bodily injury liability
250,000.00 – one person
100,000.00 – property damage
60,000.00 – uninsured motorist
2,000.00 – medical

Insurance Carrier ________________________ Company ________________________ Agent ________________________

I personally volunteer to transport ___________ students and will provide one seat belt for each student.

Number

I have read the regulations on the reverse side of this form and agree to abide by all rules.

Signature of Insured ________________________ Date ________________
Address ________________________ Telephone ________________________

This form MUST be on file in the school office
BEFORE children can be transported by car for each designated event.
TRANSPORTATION OF STUDENTS

Regulations governing the transportation of public and private school pupils below the 12th grade level to and from public and private school activities are contained in the California State Education Code 16851.

The following vehicles may be used in lieu of a school bus:
   a. a passenger vehicle designed for and when actually carrying not more than eight (8) persons, including the driver; *
   b. a 9 passenger or 10 passenger station wagon when carrying not more than nine (9) persons, including the driver;
   c. a motor vehicle operated by a common carrier, or by and under the exclusive jurisdiction of a publicly owned transit system, or by a passenger charter party carrier and used under a contractual agreement;
   d. a motor vehicle of any type carrying only members of the household of the owner thereof.

The following regulations also apply:
   a. Drivers should be over 21 (preferably over 25) years of age. All drivers should be screened carefully. Age and health, as well as physical and mental condition, should be considered.
   b. Drivers must have a valid, unrestricted California Drivers License and a “clean” driving record for the past three years (no at-fault accidents; no convictions for: speeding, reckless driving, driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol, leaving the scene of an accident or other similarly serious offenses); and no more than one other moving violation.
   c. One seat belt must be provided for and used by each vehicle occupant.

* The California Highway Patrol interpretation of the regulations eliminates the use of vans for the transportation of students, except:
   a. when designed for and actually carrying no more than 8 passengers, including the driver; and
   b. when carrying only members of the household of the owner.
PARENT REQUEST TO TRANSPORT OWN STUDENT

My child/children, __________________________, will be riding to and/or from the study trip to ____________________________ with me in my personal vehicle on ____________________________.

My signature on this permission slip relieves Sacred Heart School and the Stockton Diocese from any and all liability when my student leaves this event with me. I understand I will NOT be able to transport any other student besides my own child. As this is a sanctioned, age appropriate study trip, siblings will not be allowed on the study trip without prior administrative approval.

As stated in California Education Code Section 35330, I understand that I hold the Stockton Diocese, Sacred Heart School, its officers, agents, and employees harmless from any and all liability or claims which may arise out of or in connection with my student’s voluntary participation in this learning activity.

To Parent: All caution will be used throughout the trip. However, in the event your child needs emergency medical services during the drive, you will be solely responsible for seeking and obtaining medical attention while the child is in your personal vehicle.

____________________________________________ ___________________________
(Parent’s Signature)                    (Date)

(Please provide a contact telephone number for delays or emergency information (_____ )___________)

Office Use Only:                      Date & Time Parent Checked Student Out:
Received by Office ______________________________

If applicable, Date & Time Parent Checked Student In: