

Downey Unified School District

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

TRANSPORTATION

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Eligibility Zone

Any pupil residing within a zone meeting the requirement of distance shall be entitled to receive bus transportation. The zone of qualification is as follows:

Pupils in kindergarten through the fifth grade residing at least one mile distant from the school of attendance zoned for them shall be eligible for transportation. Locations presenting special hazards may be excepted by ruling of the Board of Education.

School Activities

Transportation for school activities will be managed in accordance with the following regulations:

1. For all activities directly sponsored by the school, a school bus or approved transportation shall be provided and must be used by both students and the certificated person assuming responsibility for the group. Exceptions to the above may be procured only by obtaining prior approval via a written note from the parent/guardian requesting permission for the student to ride with a driver with a valid driver's license.
2. In the event that District transportation of appropriate capacity is not available, the use of personal cars by school advisors or sponsors will be authorized for activities in which all participants are being transported in those persons' private autos. (Examples: debate teams, mathematics competitors, athletics finalists, etc.)
3. Mileage allowance will not be authorized to any adult school employee for use of his/her private car for transportation to or from an activity for which District transportation is also provided.
4. All events requiring overnight lodging must be authorized by the Superintendent.
5. Transportation may be furnished by school bus for
 - a. School teams participating in interscholastic competition.
 - b. Bands, pep squads, and drill teams to high school athletic contests.

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- c. Participation in District-sponsored activities.
 - d. Educational field trips within the amounts budgeted by the District and allocated to the school.
6. Transportation by school bus may be provided for students and supervising adults, when approved by the principal, for
- a. School-sponsored activity trips.
 - b. Athletic events.

Special Education Pupils

On the recommendation of Instructional Services, pupils enrolled in special education classes who reside within the District and who cannot be accommodated by bus transportation furnished by the District, will have the cost of their transportation borne by the District.

Summer School

No transportation will be provided for summer school pupils except for those enrolled in special education classes.

Authorized District Recreation

Transportation may be provided, by administrative decision, for the authorized District recreation programs when said programs are confined within the District.

Charge for Use of Buses

Organizations other than the schools may not utilize transportation facilities except with specific authorization by the Board of Education or its designee, and such users shall then be charged for the actual cost at the current rates established by the Superintendent.

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