## STUDENT TRANSPORTATION IN PRIVATE VEHICLES

School buses will be used for the transportation of students participating in "non-athletic" cocurricular or extra curricular activities. However, when buses are not available, private vehicles may be permitted to transport students to or from "non-athletic" school activities that fall within the academic day or extend the school day provided all of the following conditions are met:

- 1. The activity has the approval of the Superintendent of schools.
- 2. The owner of the vehicle being used in transporting students must have personal liability insurance coverage on the vehicle in the amounts of \$100,000 \$300,000 or more.
- 3. The parents of students to be transported in this manner will be fully informed as to this means of transportation and will sign a statement to this effect.
- 4. Only an adult (non-high school student) licensed driver shall be allowed to drive the vehicle.
- 5. The vehicle shall be equipped with seatbelts and the number of passengers limited to the number of seatbelts available. Seatbelts shall be used at all times by all passengers when the vehicle is in operation.

## STUDENT SELF-TRANSPORTATION

Parents who seek permission for their son/daughter to provide their own transportation to district sponsored "non-athletic" activities shall file their request, in writing, with the Superintendent stating, specifically, the nature of their request.

In all cases, parents requesting permission for their son/daughter to self-transport shall be required to affirm and verify that:

- 1. The vehicle to be used is equipped with seatbelts, which are operable, and in good repair. Seatbelts shall be used at all times when the vehicle is in operation.
- 2. The vehicle and driver shall be insured and properly licensed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
- 3. No other student "passengers" may be carried by the student under this policy and these rules without specific permission of the Superintendent.
- 4. A form verifying certain desired information to be signed by the driver of the vehicle shall be kept on file.

The Hull Public School District shall be held harmless from any claims, suits, liabilities, causes of action or responsibility of any type for any accidents, injuries or death connected with this policy. Parents/Guardians and student must sign the PARENT/STUDENT CONSENT RELEASE FROM LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT - <u>File</u>: BBC as presented in the Hull Public Schools Policy Manual.

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