

**POLICY TITLE: Transportation of  
Nonpublic School Students  
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This district may transport nonpublic school students when requested, if there is space available to transport such students and commercial bus transportation is not reasonably available.

All nonpublic school students will be picked up only at established school bus route stops approved by this district. The nonpublic school student's parents, or the nonpublic school shall be responsible for proper supervision of the loading and unloading of the student(s) by an adult.

All nonpublic school students riding the buses of this school district will be subject to all laws, policies, rules and regulations applying to public school students being transported on such buses, and may be disciplined according to district policies and procedures. Such discipline may include termination of bus-riding privileges.

In the event this district does transport nonpublic school students the full cost for providing such transportation will be recovered by this district. The full cost will be calculated as follows:

1. Total actual operating costs plus depreciation divided by the total miles as filed on the prior year's Idaho Department of Education Pupil Transportation Claim for Reimbursement. This figure will equal the average cost per mile of operating this district's buses.
2. Total number of bus seats divided by the total number of bus routes. This calculation will equal the average number of available seats per route.
3. The average cost per mile divided by the number of average available seats per route equals the average seat cost per mile.
4. Once the average seat cost per mile is established it will be multiplied by the sum of all nonpublic school students' miles traveled from the designated bus stop to the nonpublic school and from the nonpublic school back to the designated bus stop. This will equal the total daily reimbursement.
5. The total daily reimbursement will be multiplied by the total school busing days for the school year, and then divided by the number of school months (typically nine (9)) to determine the monthly nonpublic school student payment.
6. Nonpublic school students' parent or guardian will be billed monthly. If this district does not receive payment within ten (10) days from the date of the bill, the nonpublic school student will not be allowed to continue riding this district's buses.

7. If appropriate, and space on this district's buses is available, this district may enter into an agreement with a nonpublic school to provide transportation. The calculation method set forth above will be used and the nonpublic school will be billed monthly. Failure to make payment within ten (10) days from the date of the bill will result in termination of the agreement and the nonpublic school students will not be transported.

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**LEGAL REFERENCE:**

Idaho Code Section 33-1501

Attorney General Guideline, Feb. 25, 1994

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\*NOTE: This policy is a modification of an agreement between Grangeville Joint School District No. 241 and a nonpublic school.

\*NOTE: As required by the Idaho Constitution, School districts must charge parochial school students for costs incurred. In order not to unconstitutionally discriminate against any religious group, districts must also charge nonsectarian private school students the same amount. Attorney General Guideline, Feb. 25 1994.