

Spearman Independent School District

8th Period Transportation Form

Dear Parent/Guardian,

As you are aware, there is no gym on the high school campus where our basketball teams practice. This creates an issue on how students find a ride to the gym for practice during 8th period athletics (last period of the high school day). At the October 13, 2003 school board meeting the board of trustees discussed this item at length and made changes to the practice regarding student athletes securing transportation to the gyms. The policy is explained below:

Please be advised that the district DOES provide transportation (a bus or van) to the gym each day (leaving approximately at 2:50 after 7th period). However, with permission from a parent/guardian a student athlete can either drive or ride with another student to the gym during 8th period. Without a waiver on file, a student must go to the gym on the school provided transportation or risk disciplinary action by the coach in charge of the particular sport/team. A list will be provided to the coach driving the bus/van and will be checked daily to ensure that this procedure is enforced. A parent/guardian can waive the option of their son/daughter riding on the bus by completing the waiver form. If the first option is selected, your son/daughter MUST ride on the bus/van to the gym. This form must be returned regardless of the option you choose.

There is the possibility that not all basketball teams will practice during 8th period. Some years there is a need for teams to rotate practice times. If practice is not held until AFTER school, the students on that team are dismissed from school after 7th period. This waiver form does not affect transportation to the after-school practices but only to the practice held during the regular school day (8th period).

_____ My son/daughter will ride the school bus to the gym for practice during 8th period.

_____ My son/daughter has my permission to drive their own vehicle or ride with another student to the gym for practice during 8th period. I hold the school district harmless of any liability and I accept responsibility for any accidents that might occur during this timeframe of driving to practice.

Student's Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____