

STUDENT TRANSPORTATION DRIVING REQUIREMENTS BREAKDOWN SB88

Effective July 1, 2025

DISTRICT DRIVING REQUIREMENTS

Each district often has its own set of requirements for individuals transporting students. Please refer to your district policies and procedures for required documentation for individuals transporting students.

RESIG's recommendations for documentation for individuals transporting students is:

- Fingerprinting on file through the District
- Current TB clearance on file through the District
- Proof of Insurance that includes the following limits:
 - Bodily Injury: Combined Single Limit of \$500,000
 - Property Damage: \$100,000
 - Medical Payments: \$10,000

SB88 COMPLIANCE CHECKLIST

When operating vehicles designed for 10 or fewer occupants
The Driver must have:

- A valid Driver's License
- Be 18 or older
- Have a clear criminal background check, including fingerprinting
- A DMV driving record free from convictions of any statutes listed in [Vehicle Code § 13370](#).
- Does not have a history of irrational behavior
- Current public driving record
- Must be willing to submit to drug and alcohol testing
- Have passed a medical exam and be able to provide a Medical Examiner's Certificate MCSA-5876 current within the past 24 months
 - Driver's 65 and older must have this current within the past 12 months
- A clear TB test
- Not be driving more than 10 hours in a single work period
- Have initial and subsequent trainings (see breakdown provided below)
- Maintain a daily log with pre-trip inspections (see sample form below)
- Valid 1st Aid Certification
- Cannot drive more than 10 hours in a single work period

When operating vehicles designed for more than 10 occupants
The Driver must have:

- All items mentioned above, plus
- A valid Driver's License with a Passenger Endorsement (P)

SB88 NON-COMPLIANCE NOTICE TO PARENTS

Hello parents,

California State Bill 88, effective as of July 1, 2025, mandates new requirements for school districts when providing student transportation. This bill requires parents be notified when their child will be transported in a vehicle operated by someone who does not meet these new higher requirements.

This notice is to inform you that your child will be driven by a driver who meets the standards the district has always upheld, but not the full requirements of the new SB88 bill. All district drivers meet the following requirements:

INSERT YOUR DISTRICT REQUIREMENTS HERE

If you would like to learn more about the additional requirements imposed by SB88, you can read about [them here](#).

Thank you

WRITTEN ATTESTATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH SB88

When the district contracts a third party to transport students, it must obtain and verify a written attestation confirming that the driver and company:

- Has no applicable law violations, and
- Will maintain compliance with applicable laws for the duration of the contract

SPECIAL SITUATIONS

- These transportation requirements do not apply when students must be transported due to an emergency posing an immediate threat to their safety.
- District employees can qualify for the exemption to SB88 only if they will not exceed 40 hours of driving time per year. A notice must still be sent to parents regarding a lack of SB88 compliance.

TRAINING

Public School Works (PSW), available to all RESIG members, has some SB88 compliant classes available. Please reach out to RESIG's Environmental Health & Safety Department for more information.

Training topics must include:

- Pre-trip inspections

- Safe loading and unloading
- Proper use of seatbelts and safety restraints
- Handling accidents, incidents, and emergency situations
- Providing proper accommodation for pupils with disabilities
- Defensive driving
- Operations in inclement weather
- Operations at night or under impaired visibility conditions

DAILY PRE-TRIP INSPECTION LOG

District

School

Driver Name

Date of pre-trip inspection

Time of pre-trip inspection

Is first aid kit in vehicle?	Yes	No
------------------------------	-----	----

Is a fire extinguisher located in the vehicle?	Yes	No
--	-----	----

Has the vehicle been inspected in the last 12 months or 50,000 miles by a facility licensed by the Bureau of Automotive Repair?	Yes	No
---	-----	----

Confirmed all exterior lights are operational	Initials:
---	-----------

Confirmed no fluid leaks	Initials:
--------------------------	-----------

Completed check of the operability of the breaks	Initials:
--	-----------