



St Teresa's School

TRANSPORT POLICY

1. Policy Statement

St Teresa's School is committed to the safe transportation of learners and educators at all times.

2. Policy Objectives

The objectives of the Transport Policy are to ensure that:

Learners are safeguarded when transported in the school's vehicles and when being transported by independent operators or public transport on school outings or tours.

Educators are safeguarded when being transported by the school's vehicles or when they themselves are transporting learners.

3. Legislative and Policy Framework

The transportation of learners complies with the terms and conditions set down in the:

Government Gazette No.29000, 7 July 2006
National Road Traffic Act, 1996

4. Transport

St Teresa's School will ensure that:

Its vehicles for transporting learners have insurance and roadworthy certificates

The drivers of such vehicles are in possession of valid driver's licences and professional driving permits;

The drivers of such vehicles adhere to the rules of the road. Furthermore the drivers shall not:

- (a) drive a motor vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a drug having a narcotic effect;
- (b) drive a motor vehicle while the concentration of alcohol in his/her blood or breath exceeded a statutory limitation;
- (c) drive recklessly or negligently;
- (d) use cell phones while operating a vehicle.

The transport company or the owner of the vehicles provides the following to the school:

- (a) insurance and roadworthy certificates for the vehicles; and
- (b) valid driver's licence and professional driving permit of the driver.

The supervising educator must intervene if there is any doubt regarding roadworthiness of the vehicle or the competence of the driver of the vehicle;

The supervising educator must liaise with the driver in connection with reporting any accident to the police, and must report the accident himself or herself, within 48 hours, if the driver fails to report the accident.