

Student Transportation Volunteer Driver Policy and Waiver

The Greenspire School believes that safety is our first mission. In the case of student transportation, we defer to the Michigan Pupil Transportation Act of 1976. However, in the case of volunteer drivers with a seating capacity of less than 11, using personally owned vehicles, the Pupil Transportation Act does not apply. Therefore, the following TGS Board Policy has been adopted and approved by the TGS Board of Directors on September 20, 2021.

Volunteer Driver Policy

All TGH/GHS volunteer drivers must be parents or legal guardians of at least one TGH/GHS student, have a valid Michigan driver's license, have proof of car insurance, have a vehicle that is in good working condition, and is able to supply sufficient seating, working seat belts, car seats/booster seats to children meeting the height requirements for this law (see child passenger safety law below). Prior to the scheduled trip, the volunteer driver (releasee) must read and sign the Volunteer Driver Transportation Waiver.

Michigan's Child Passenger Safety Law

Children must be properly buckled and in a car seat or booster seat until they are 8 years old or 4-feet-9-inches tall. Children must ride in a seat until they reach the age requirement or the height requirement, whichever comes first. It is recommended to keep a child in a harnessed car seat until he or she reaches 40 pounds.

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Volunteer Driver Transportation Waiver

- 1. I hereby release, waive, discharge and covenant not to take legal action against The Greenspire School, the Board, and/or its individual members, officers, agents, servants, or employees (hereinafter referred to as releasees) from any and all liability, claims, demands, actions, and causes of action whatsoever arising out of or related to any loss, damage, or injury, including death, that may be sustained by my minor child(ren) or me, or any of the property belonging to me, as result of, or in any way arising out of my child(ren) traveling to and or from TGS/GHS sponsored activities in a vehicle or vehicles not owned or operated by TGS/GHS.
- 2. I voluntarily assume full responsibility for any risks of loss.
- 3. I further hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless the releasees from any loss, liability, damage or costs due to my child(ren) traveling to and or from TGS/GHS sponsored activities in a vehicle or vehicles not owned or operated by TGS/GHS.
- 4. I hereby further agree that this Waiver of Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the state of Michigan.
- 5. I understand that I must be a TGS/GHS parent or guardian and possess the following requirements in order to safely and legally transport TGS/GHS students: a valid Michigan driver's license, proof of car insurance, appropriate booster/car seats for qualifying children, seating children in the back seats only, and having a vehicle in good working condition.
- 6. In signing this release, I acknowledge and represent that I have read the foregoing Waiver of Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement, understand it and sign it voluntarily as my own free act and deed.

7. Students I am transporting on this trip (including my own) :		
8. Field Trip Destination:		
9. Date of Field Trip:		
Signature		
Volunteer Parent/Guardian:	Date:	

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