

BRIGHT WATER SCHOOL
Field Trip Driver Form

Thank you for volunteering to drive on a BWS field trip. We could not do these trips without you. Driving on a field trip carries significant responsibilities for student safety. Accordingly, we have certain qualifications that must be met before an adult may drive on a field trip and certain expectations for drivers while they are on the trip. By signing below you are certifying that you meet our qualifications and agree to follow our rules while on the field trip.

I, _____, have volunteered to transport children in connection with a BWS Field Trip. I certify that the following is true and correct:

Driver Qualifications

1. **I do not have a criminal record and I authorize Bright Water School to conduct a Washington State Patrol Criminal Background check on me.**
2. I have a current driver's license.
3. The vehicle I will use to transport children is (a) validly licensed and registered in accordance with Washington state transportation laws and (b) is in good repair and operating condition.
4. I carry liability insurance in at least the minimum amount required by Washington law.
5. In the past year, I have not received a traffic citation for a moving violation.
6. In the past three years, I have not been found at fault in any accidents.
7. **I have attached a copy of my current automobile insurance certificate issued by my insurer and a copy of my current driver's license.**

To ensure everyone's safety I further agree to abide by the following rules while on a BWS field trip:

Rules for Drivers during Field Trip

8. I will notify BWS if any of the above circumstance change before I transport any child on a field trip.
9. Whenever there are more than six children under six years of age in the vehicle, there will be at least one additional adult in the vehicle other than myself as the driver.
10. The number of passengers will not exceed the vehicle's seating capacity, all passengers will use a seat belt and there will be no more than one person in each seat belt.
11. I will obey all Washington state laws when operating my vehicle including those stated below.
 - a. Children up to their 8th birthday, unless they are 4'9" tall (57 inches), must be transported in an appropriate child restraint system (child car seat, booster seat, or other restraint that is federally approved for use in the car.) Vehicles equipped with lap-only seat belts are exempt from the requirement to use a booster seat.
 - b. Children under the age of 13 will be transported in the back where possible.
 - c. Children 8-years of age or at least 4'9" who wear a seat belt **MUST** use it correctly (never under the arm or behind the back) or continue to use a booster.
12. I will abide all posted speed limits.
13. I will not smoke or allow anyone to smoke in my vehicle.
14. I will not consume alcohol or any other substance that could adversely affect my driving ability.
15. I will not use my cellular telephone for calls or text messages while operating my vehicle.
16. I will not make any unscheduled non-emergency stops on the way to or from the trip destination.

Signature

Date of Birth

Dated this _____ day of _____ 201_ at _____ (city), Washington.