VANPOOL DRIVER ELIGIBILITY/RETENTION CRITERIA

Vanpool drivers must have a valid, unrestricted (prescription lenses acceptable), non-probationary drivers license and five years licensed driving experience.

Prospective vanpool drivers with the following on their driving record will NOT be eligible to drive a vanpool van if:

**Within the last seven (7) years:**

⇒ ANY suspension/revocation related to a major moving violation appears on their driving record.

**Within the last three (3) years:**

⇒ More than one minor, moving violation and any major moving violations (with no other accident or violations) appears on their driver’s record.

⇒ More than one minor single car accident (with no other moving violations) appears on their driver’s record.

⇒ Any conviction for a seatbelt violation or child restraint violation appears on their driver’s record.

**Reinstatement of Vanpool Drivers**

Any vanpool driver that requests reinstatement after being ineligible due to a serious accident in a member van requires expressed approval from WSTIP’s Executive or Deputy Director or Member Services Manager.

**Definitions**

1. “Minor Moving Violations” include anything less than a major moving violation defined below, speeding 10 mph over the limit or less, and violation of the carpool lanes.

2. “Major Moving Violations” include convictions for speeding greater than 10 mph over the speed limit, failure to yield, failure to stop, speeding in a school zone, following too close, driving too fast for conditions, disobeying road signs, improper lane travel, illegal overtaking/passing, cell phone/texting violations and seatbelt violations. Traffic camera violations received while driving a vanpool vehicle are considered major moving violations. Major violations are also any convictions for driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol, open container, refusal to take a drug/alcohol test, careless or reckless driving, reckless endangerment, felony or negligent driving, leaving the scene of an accident, or hit and run convictions.

3. “Minor Accident” shall be defined as “verifiable” event involving less than $3,500 in total damage and no bodily injury.

4. “Major Accident” shall be defined as involving more that $3,500 in damage and or bodily injury.

5. “Verifiable” means that the Vanpool Coordinator is provided with copies of documents, which establish damages, facts, and legal outcomes.

6. “Minor Violations” (non-moving) that are not considered include: no insurance, no vehicle tabs, and failure to transfer title, illegal vehicle equipment, and no license on person.

1. Probationary licenses are indicated with an asterisk (*) on the front of the license.

2. Driving record is defined as a complete 7 year abstract of the driving record obtained by the prospective driver from the Department of Licensing.

3. This may not be a complete listing of violations.