



THE TABERNACLE

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Transportation Policy

Sept 2022

Purpose:

The Tabernacle is committed to providing safe transportation options for our children/youth to all Tabernacle-sponsored events. The following policy will help ensure the safety of children/youth/volunteers/staff members when traveling to and from Tabernacle-sponsored events.

Driving Record/Background Checks/Documentation/Final Approval

- Those staff/volunteers providing transportation must have a completed background check and appropriate paperwork on file and be fully vetted/ approved by the Campus Pastor at the location they will provide transportation.
- Those who have a history of drunk driving, multiple moving violations/ speeding tickets, reckless driving or any other charge that is related to operating a vehicle must also be reviewed by the Executive Team prior to approval.
- All checks and documentation will be reviewed annually.
- Drivers must be 21 years of age and possess a valid driver's license.
- Approved drivers will have a copy of their driver's license on file with the Administration Department.
- Approved drivers must provide a copy of their current registration and proof of insurance prior to providing transportation on behalf of The Tabernacle.

- If at any time an approved driver has a change in their driving record, including drunk driving, speeding, accident or any other moving violations, it must be reported immediately to the Tabernacle Student Pastor/Leader or TABkids Leader at the campus they serve.

Safety

- Drivers will be expected to obey all traffic laws while transporting children/youth to and from Tabernacle-sponsored events.
- Drivers will not operate cell phones while the vehicle is moving.
- Each occupant of the vehicle will be expected to wear seat belts at all times.
- For younger children, laws regarding the use of booster seats/car seats will be followed at all time.
- Traffic violations, accidents or other incident that takes place while transporting children/youth to a Tabernacle-sponsored event should be reported immediately to the Executive Director:
executivedirector@thetabchurch.com
- Two adult staff/volunteers must be present in the vehicle when minors are being transported to any Tabernacle-sponsored event.
- Minors being transported by staff/volunteer to a Tabernacle-sponsored event must have a signed permission slip completed by their parent/guardian.
- The Tabernacle Student Ministries Pastor/Leader/TABkids Leader will be responsible for communicating/following all safety procedures and making sure vehicles meet the stated criteria at Tabernacle-sponsored events. In the event that they are not in attendance, they will assign and train a volunteer to communicate/follow/monitor these guidelines.

Vehicles

- Vehicles used to transport children/youth to and from Tabernacle-sponsored activities will be in good condition and have the correct number of *working* seat belts to accommodate the number of passengers.
- Vehicles will not exceed the maximum capacity as specified by the manufacturer.
- All vehicles will be multi-passenger - scooters, motorcycles or mopeds are not considered safe/allowable forms of transportation for minors at any time.
- All vehicles will have a current license plate, current registration and proof of insurance as required by Michigan law.

By signing this Transportation Policy, I acknowledge I understand the policies/ procedures and chose to assume the risk and legal liability regarding transporting minors on behalf of The Tabernacle.

Signature _____

Date_____

Print Name
