




Transportation in Athletics

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Safely getting the team from here to there, and back. This presentation session discusses the school district liabilities and considers the risk controls for transportation in athletics.

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Risk Exposure

External risk controls: Laws, State rules, OSAA requirements, insurance conditions of coverage and exclusions

Internal risk controls: School board approved policies or directives, operational limitations

Risk tolerance/Risk Management determinations

Agency experience or loss history



Risk Exposure – Injury or Death by MVA Vehicle types

POV

Type 10, Type 20

Commercial carrier – ground

Commercial carrier – air



Risk Exposure – Injury or Death by MVA Drivers

Staff

Volunteers

Contracted

Training



Risk Exposure – Injury or Death by MVA Road Conditions, Weather, Distance, etc.

- Road Conditions
- Weather
- Distance
- Hours of operation



Risk Exposure – Abuse or Molestation

- Prohibiting 1:1 scenarios
- Background checks
- Manadatory Reporting, Chaperone guidelines and expectations
- Bus behavior expectations



Risk Exposure – Tort Claim limitations

- Both an exposure and a risk control
- Exposure: Lack of tort claim caps in Washington and California
- Risk Control: May limit court damages in Oregon courts



Risk Exposure – Bullying, Harassment

Expectations

Interventions

Reporting, Safe Oregon



Risk Exposure – boundary pushing

When only limited details are provided for risk considerations, deliberate omissions

Unrealistic schedules, no margin for error or delay

Challenging risk management determinations



Closing thoughts

Be well-versed in details of laws and policies that effect transportation in athletics

Network and stay connected with PACE and school district peers

Be ready to articulate your risk tolerance and risk management determinations



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