

Semi-Annual Bus Reimbursement Information

Pella Christian High School families living outside the Pella School District who transport their children daily round trip to PCHS or who's student drives to school may be eligible to receive state reimbursement from their resident school district for transportation expenses. Families can claim reimbursement for up to three K-8 students and no more than one high school student. A reimbursement form needs to be completed, signed, dated, and turned into the resident school district administrative offices by May 1, 2019. The link below contains the request form. Please contact your resident district administrative offices to determine if they use another reimbursement request form.

The provision for reimbursement comes from Iowa Code Section 285.1 and requires public school districts to provide transportation services to resident nonpublic students that are entitled as per that section. How the transportation service will be provided is to be determined by the public school district. When funds are appropriated by the Iowa General Assembly and if your public school district has selected "Parent Reimbursement" as their transportation service type of choice, and you meet the transportation entitlement policy provisions of the public school district in which you live and the nonpublic school being attended has been accredited by the Iowa Department of Education, you are entitled to parent reimbursement as per Iowa Code Sections 285.1, subparagraph 3 and 285.3.

(Iowa Code, Section 285.3) If your public school district selects the "Parent Reimbursement" option, it is your responsibility as the nonpublic parent or guardian to notify your resident public school district that you have children attending an accredited nonpublic school and its location. In addition, specific information, as requested on the reimbursement form, must be submitted by the nonpublic parent or guardian not later than December 1st (for the first-semester reimbursement) and May 1st (for the second-semester reimbursement), each year. Failure to submit this request by the above deadline each semester will result in the denial of the reimbursement request for the claim period.

The reimbursement form can be found at the following:

[Nonpublic Parent Reimbursement Request Form .pdf](#)