

WIDE BAY SCHOOL SPORT
TRAVEL POLICY
Current 09-11-2018

RATIONALE

1. The Wide Bay School Sport Board has a responsibility to ensure safe, efficient and cost - effective travel, as part of its duty of care, when co-ordinating the travel arrangements for all regional teams attending state championships.

POLICY

1. The most desirable form of travel for each regional team shall be determined by the Wide Bay Sports Office in consultation with team officials in accordance with Regional guidelines and Host Centre situations.
The Regional School Sports Officer will co-ordinate all transportation arrangements, including costs, in accordance with the state purchasing policy.
2. When the arrival destination is Cairns or further north or when special circumstances prevail, all Wide Bay teams travel will be by plane, if practical.
3. It is compulsory that all teams travel to state championships by the transport determined by the Wide Bay School Sport Board unless exceptional circumstances exist and are approved by the Wide Bay School Sport Board Executive.
4. Permission may be granted upon receipt of a written/verbal request for a student to return home from a state championship with a parent where transport has been arranged by the Wide Bay School Sport Board. Such arrangements shall not necessarily alter the transportation component of the levy.
5. Departure times to and from all state championships must minimise the amount of school time lost by the students and teachers.

PROCEDURES

1. The Regional School Sports Officer, in determining the transportation arrangements, will take into account:
 - The cost of fares
 - Efficient use of time (school time missed by students and teachers to be minimised)
 - The welfare of the athlete
2. Exception to the travel policy must be made in writing to the Regional School Sports Officer for consideration by the Wide Bay School Sport Board Executive.
3. Students are required to remain with the regional team until the conclusion of the intrastate activity. This may be varied with the approval of the team manager/s.