



**Use of E-bikes and Scooters ~~Micromobility Vehicles and Pedestrian Conveyances~~
on School Campuses**

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Purpose:

The purpose of this policy is to regulate the use of non-motorized modes of transportation and micromobility vehicles on school campuses in Provo City School District to ensure the safety and wellbeing of students, staff, and visitors.

Scope: This policy applies to all students, staff, and visitors who operate micromobility vehicles and pedestrian conveyances, including golf carts, on school campuses.

Definitions:

- **Micromobility vehicles:** The U.S. Department of Transportation and Federal Highway Administration defines a micromobility vehicle as any small, low-speed, human- or electric-powered transportation device, including bicycles, scooters, electric-assist bicycles, electric scooters (e-scooters), and other small, lightweight, wheeled conveyances.
- **E-Bike Classifications:**
 - Class 1
 - Only provides motor assistance when you pedal (pedal assist)
 - The motor stops assisting at 20 mph
 - It does not have throttle
 - Class 2
 - Has a throttle
 - Can move without pedaling
 - If it has a throttle above 20 mph, it is either an e-motorcycle or high electric device
 - Class 3
 - Can go up to 28 mph with pedal assist
 - Can be "jail broken" to go even faster
 - Often too powerful for kids

- **E-Motorbikes/High Power Electric Devices:** Go over 20 mph without pedaling and are treated as motor vehicles. They require riders to be 16+, have a driver's license, registration, and insurance.
- **Pedestrian Conveyances:** any human-powered device by which a pedestrian may move other than by walking (i.e. roller skates, roller blades, skateboard, non-motorized wheelchairs)

Policy Statement:

1) Authorized Use:

- a) Micromobility vehicles and pedestrian conveyances may be used on a school campus by individuals who are:
 - i) students or staff members of the school.
 - ii) visitors who have obtained prior authorization from the school administration.
- b) Use of these devices is restricted to designated areas only.
- c) Principals of each school will determine where micromobility vehicles and pedestrian conveyances may be used along with any restrictions that will result in greater safety for students and patrons on their school campuses.
- d) E-bike regulations starting in May 2027: Ages 8-15 need certification or supervision to ride, 16+ no certification required.

2) Safety Regulations:

- a) All users must adhere to traffic laws and regulations while operating micromobility vehicles
- b) School campus sidewalks experience high traffic volumes during class change times, lunch breaks, and before and after school. Pedestrians have the right of way on sidewalks at all times. Anyone riding a device on campus must yield to pedestrians.
- c) Protective gear, including helmets, must be worn at all times while riding.
- d) The speed limit for all micromobility vehicles and pedestrian conveyances on a school campus is 10 mph.
- e) Micromobility vehicles and pedestrian conveyances must be operated in a responsible manner, avoiding reckless or dangerous behavior and demonstrating awareness of surroundings.
- f) Bicyclists have the same rights as motor vehicles but also must yield to pedestrians.
- g) All users should remove headphones, airpods, and earbuds and avoid cell phone distractions while riding on campus.

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85 3) Parking and Storage:

86 a) Designated parking areas for micromobility vehicles and pedestrian conveyances may
87 be provided on the school campus.

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89 b) Users must park and store their vehicles in the designated areas only. Parking in
90 nondesignated areas is strictly prohibited.

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92 4) Prohibited Activities:

93 a) Riding micromobility vehicles and pedestrian conveyances indoors or in areas not
94 designated for their use.

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96 b) Operating micromobility vehicles and pedestrian conveyances under the influence of
97 alcohol or drugs.

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99 c) Allowing unauthorized individuals to use micromobility vehicles. Students may not
100 drive golf carts on a school campus unless supervised by a campus employee.

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102 5) Enforcement:

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104 a) Report unsafe behavior on sidewalks and school campuses to the school
105 administration.

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107 b) Violations of this policy may result in disciplinary action, which may include warnings,
108 fines, confiscation of vehicles, or other appropriate measures deemed necessary by the
109 school administration.

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111 c) Repeat violations may lead to more severe disciplinary action, including suspension or
112 revocation of privileges to operate micromobility vehicles and pedestrian conveyances
113 on the school campus.

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115 **Implementation:**

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117 1) The school administration will be responsible for developing specific requirements and
118 restrictions on their individual school campuses.

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120 2) Education and awareness programs may be conducted to inform the school community about
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122 conveyances on the school campus.

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125 **Review:**

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This policy shall be reviewed periodically to ensure its effectiveness and compliance with applicable laws and regulations. Amendments may be made as deemed necessary by the Board of Education. This policy shall be communicated to all students, staff, and visitors.

Legal References:

[Utah Code 41-6a-1115](#) Bicycles and Other Vehicles, Regulation of Operation
[Utah Code 41-6a-1115.5](#) Bicycles and Other Vehicles, Regulation of Operation
[Utah House Bill 381](#) [Electric Mobility Device Amendments](#)

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