



FAIRBANKS NORTH STAR BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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TO: Principals, Directors, Head Teachers

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Risk & Safety Coordinator & Business Services

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SUBJECT: Staff and Student Overnight Accommodation Guidelines

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After careful consideration and research, the district has decided that **shared economy lodging** (i.e., Airbnb, VRBO, and HomeAway) or privately owned residences as well as privately owned vehicles are not allowed for district-sponsored events requiring overnight accommodations.

Companies operating within the sharing economy generally task users with navigating the laws that govern the transactions into which they enter. The district is also concerned about private citizens engaging in hotel practices with which they are not familiar.

***For safety reasons, staff, students, and student groups traveling on district-sponsored events requiring overnight accommodations must stay in public accommodations such as hotels or school facilities.***

The safety factors included shared spaces, insurance limitations, security, video surveillance, building code violations (i.e., working fire alarms, O2 detectors), and hidden costs associated with private rentals.

If you need clarification or additional information, please contact the Risk Management Liaison for guidance at joseph.tyson@k12northstar.org or x11303