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8600 - **TRANSPORTATION**

It is the policy of the Board to provide transportation for those students, of any age, whose distance from their school makes this service necessary within the limitations established by State law and the regulations of the Department of Public Instruction or other appropriate agency.

School buses and student-transportation vehicles shall be purchased, housed, and maintained by the District or the District shall contract for transportation services in accordance with Policy 8680 - Bus Services Contracts for the transportation of resident students between their home areas and the schools of the District to which they are assigned. In accordance with State law, the District shall not transport students by alternative transportation methods of vehicles carrying more than nine (9) passengers and the operator. This prohibition does not apply to school buses operated in compliance with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation's regulations.

All school buses and student-transportation vehicles, whether purchased, leased, or contracted for as provided in Policy 8680 - Bus Services Contracts shall comply with specifications defined in State and Federal law. Each operator of a school vehicle used to transport students of the District shall be licensed for the purpose for which the vehicle is being used and shall operate the vehicles in accordance with Federal and State laws.

Transportation for private school students, eligible for transportation under State law, shall be provided on the same basis as for District students.

Transportation of eligible students with exceptional educational needs or attending a technical education program shall be arranged through the use of District-owned vehicles, through cooperation with other districts, through commercial carriers, and/or by other means in the most efficient and economical manner.

Transportation privileges may be revoked if the student's conduct is in violation of the Superintendent's administrative guidelines or the Code of Conduct pertaining to student transportation. Such revocation shall be in accord with statutorily-required procedures.

[] Nonroutine Use of School Buses

~~The Board may permit the school buses owned or leased by this District to be used for purposes other than regularly scheduled routes to and from school in accordance with legal requirements, provided such trips do not interfere with routine school transportation services.~~

~~Vehicles must be operated when possible by an employee of this District, or otherwise by a qualified individual approved by the Superintendent. The cost of transportation shall be reimbursed to the Board () based on the actual cost to the District of the school bus usage () in accordance with a formula established in the District's administrative guidelines [END OF OPTIONS].~~

~~[] The Superintendent shall develop administrative guidelines which should include provision for insurance coverage and the requirement that for each school bus trip involving school age passengers chaperones will be used to assist the staff member(s) in maintaining passenger control and in enforcing procedures for the safety of all passengers.~~

Surveillance on School Buses

Any agreement with a transportation contractor for the provision of transportation services for the District shall have language regarding the use of video and audio surveillance on all school buses.

District-Owned Vehicles Used for Transporting Students

All drivers of motor vehicles owned by the District and used for transportation of students shall be under written contract with the Board as required by 121.52, Wis. Stats.

All operators of motor vehicles owned by the District and used for transportation of students shall be subject to the provisions of 121.555, Wis. Stats. and may be subject to the District’s employee drug testing policy in accordance with Policy 8601 - Controlled Substance and Alcohol Policy for Employees that Transport Students.

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