# 707 TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

#### I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that all students riding a school bus receive a safe, comfortable and orderly ride to and from school.

#### II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

The school board recognizes that a safe and orderly school bus transportation is important and necessary in meeting its educational mission.

#### III. STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SAFETY

The safety and welfare of all transported students shall be the primary concern in all transportation matters.

A. As indicated by state law, riding the school bus is a privilege, not a right. Students are expected to follow the same behavioral standards while riding school buses as are expected on school property or at school activities, functions or events. All school rules are in effect while a student is riding the bus or at the bus stop.

B. The School District may deny transportation to a student who fails to demonstrate the bus safety competencies, unless the student is unable to achieve the competencies due to a disability.

C. Students will be held responsible for any damage to their school bus and will be expected to make restitution.

D. During periods of inclement weather, parents and guardians must confirm that school is in session before sending their children to school.

## IV. REGULAR TO AND FROM SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION

The policy of the District is to transport students to and from school in a safe and economical manner within or exceeding the parameters of State regulations and statutes.

## V. TRANSPORTATION OF HOMELESS STUDENTS

Resident students who become homeless shall receive transportation service appropriate to their needs as required by State statutes.

## VI. TRANSPORTATION OF STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Students with disabilities shall receive transportation appropriate to the physical, mental and emotional needs of the student as required by State statutes.

## VII. TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM CHILD CARE FACILITIES

Transportation shall be allowed to and from childcare facilities within the boundaries of the student's resident school of attendance using regular bus routes.

## VIII. CO-CURRICULAR TRANSPORTATION

Transportation approved by the principal or designee will be provided for all co-curricular activities dependent on available funding.

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