

Hood River County School District

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School Bus Scheduling and Routing

School bus routes will be planned and organized to ensure student safety and maximum bus use.

1. Student safety shall always be the major part of any route decision.
2. Bus routing will be the responsibility of the transportation supervisor, with the appropriate central office supervisor's help as required.
3. Bus stops will be designated and students will be expected to gather at the assigned stop.
4. Anyone requesting a route change must be referred to the transportation supervisor.
5. Route conditions will be reviewed routinely for possible upgrading of service.
6. Routes will be planned to ensure the least possible amount of time elapsing from first pick-up to school, commensurate with economical efficiency.
7. Buses shall traverse only those roads which are city, county, state or federal roads at the school district's discretion. Exceptions may be approved by the transportation supervisor.
8. Secondary students eligible for bus transportation may be expected to walk up to one and one half miles to a bus stop once the student is on city, county, state or federal roads. Elementary students may be expected to walk up to one mile to a bus stop.
9. Students may be transferred directly from one bus to another while being transported to and from school as long as no safety hazard is involved.
10. Transportation of all elementary (K-5) students for nonschool group activities during regular school to home routes shall, in order to ensure adequate space, require written request from the parent and prior approval from the transportation supervisor or designee.
11. For school-related functions, staff members and patrons may, with pre-approved written administrative approval, ride school buses if load conditions permit.
12. A fully supported seat shall be provided each student. Students must be seated.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 332.405](#)

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[OAR 581-053-0004](#)

[OAR 581-053-0031](#)

Cross Reference(s):

EEA - Student Transportation Services