

Riverdale School District 51J

Code: **EEA**
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Student Transportation Services

School transportation services will be provided for students to and from school and for transporting students to and from curricular and extracurricular activities sponsored by the district.

These services shall be provided throughout the regularly scheduled year and during the regular school day as determined by the superintendent.

Students living within specified attendance boundaries shall receive transportation services to their respective schools. In addition, students, including those receiving special education, may be eligible for transportation for health or safety reasons.

Transportation will not be provided for resident students who have received approval to attend an out-of-district or out-of-attendance school.

Safety instruction shall be given to all regularly transported students at least twice a year, once in the first half and once in the second half of the school year. All students who are not transported on a regular basis shall receive safety instruction at least once, in the first half of the school year. The district will document and maintain records of the content and dates of instruction.

No person shall transport students in a school bus unless such person has completed all requirements for a school bus driver's permit or certificate and possesses the approved document.

The district's contracted transportation service will not transport any person who is not an employee of the service, a district student, teacher or school official while traveling the regular route. School officials may authorize other persons to ride in school buses on special occasions.

Students attending any private or parochial school under the compulsory school attendance laws will, where the private or parochial school is along or near the bus route, be provided equally the riding privileges given to public school students.

School buses carrying students will be considered extensions of the school experience. All students using school transportation will abide by the code of conduct posted in each school bus or school activity van. Violations of such code, as well as other conduct which is improper or which jeopardizes the safety of self or others, will be reported by the school bus or van driver to the supervisor. The transportation supervisor will, as soon as possible, inform the appropriate building principal of such occurrence. Violators may be denied use of transportation for a period of time as deemed proper by the building principal.

The building principal or designee shall ensure transportation officials and drivers receive notification of students having special medical or behavioral protocols identified in student records.

Information and/or training will be provided to drivers, as appropriate, including confidentiality requirements.

The school bus/van driver will be responsible for the school bus/van at all times from departure until return. The driver will not participate in any activities that might impair his/her driving abilities.

The district will comply with all state and federal laws and regulations pertaining to school bus transportation.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

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| ORS 327.006 | ORS 343.155 - 343.246 | OAR 581-021-0050 to -0075 |
| ORS 327.033 | ORS 343.533 | OAR 581-022-1530 |
| ORS 327.043 | ORS 343.155 - 343.243 | OAR 581-023-0040 |
| ORS 332.405 | ORS 811.210 | OAR 581-053-0002 to -0015 |
| ORS 332.415 | ORS 815.055 | OAR 735-102-0010 |
| ORS 332.427 | ORS 815.080 | |
| ORS 339.240 - 339.250 | ORS 820.100 - 820.190 | |

Letter Opinion, Office of the OR Attorney General (Nov. 22, 1988).

No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, 20 U.S.C. § 6315 (2006).

McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance Improvements Act of 2001, 42 U.S.C. §§ 11431-11435 (2005).

Cross Reference(s):

EEAB - School Bus Scheduling and Routing

EEACC - Student Conduct on School Buses