

## **Video Cameras on Transportation Vehicles**

### **Education Records**

1. The district will comply with provisions of state and federal law regarding education records requirements including the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act and the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act as applicable to the district's use of video recordings. Video recordings which become a part of a student's education record will be maintained in accordance with established education record procedures governing access, review and release of education records.
2. The district will include notice in parent/student handbooks that video cameras may be used on district transportation vehicles transporting students to and from curricular and extracurricular activities. The district will include, as a part of its notice procedures, a copy of the district's video camera policy and procedures to all students and parents accompanied by a form to be signed and returned to the district as an acknowledgment of being read and understood.
3. Students will be notified when video camera is "on board" and in use on district vehicles.

### **Staff Records**

1. Video recordings considered for retention as part of the employee's personnel record will be maintained in accordance with established Board personnel policies, administrative regulations and labor agreements governing access, review and release of employee personnel records.
2. The district will include notice in personnel handbooks that video cameras may be used on district transportation vehicles transporting students to and from curricular and/or extracurricular activities.
3. Staff will be notified when video camera is "on board" and in use on district vehicles.

### **Storage/Security**

1. All video recordings will be stored and secured to ensure confidentiality.
2. Video recordings containing a reported violation or incident will be retained until the issue is resolved. Recordings may also be retained as requested by district administration.
3. Video recordings held for review of student or staff incident will be maintained in their original form pending resolution. The recording will then be either erased or retained as necessary as a part of the student's education record and/or employee's personnel record in accordance with the established district procedures.

## **Use**

1. Video cameras will be installed and maintained in operable condition on district transportation vehicles transporting students to and from curricular or extracurricular activities at the discretion of the district administration.
2. Staff and students are prohibited from tampering with or otherwise interfering with video camera equipment.

## **Viewing Requests**

1. Requests for viewing video recordings will be limited to contracted district officials, including teachers whom the district has determined to have legitimate educational interests.
2. Requests for viewing may be made to the transportation supervisor within one working day of the date of recording unless as otherwise requested by the district administration.
3. Only the portion of the video recording concerning a specific incident(s) will be made available for viewing.
4. Approval/Denial for viewing will be made within five school days of receipt of request unless as otherwise deemed appropriate by the district administration.

## **Viewing**

1. Actual viewing will be permitted at district-related sites only.
2. Video recordings remain the property of the district and may be reproduced only in accordance with law, including applicable district education records policy and procedures and district personnel records policy, procedures and applicable labor agreements.

## **Installation** (From OAR 581-053-0240(82))

1. Video surveillance cameras may be installed inside or on the forward bulkhead (header) above the windshield in compliance with the following requirements:
  - a. Surface-mounted camera/camera housing/video recording devices or those extending into the passenger compartment shall be mounted as close as practicable directly above the driver but not to extend into the area directly forward of the aisle beyond the existing 6 inches x 30 inches rear view mirror or the installation complies with all of the following:
    - (1) The camera/recorder/housing extends into the passenger compartment no more than 9 inches;
    - (2) Extends down from the ceiling no more than 5 inches;
    - (3) Is no wider than 5 inches; and
    - (4) Is located as close as practicable to the mid-point of the header at the highest possible position.

- b. If camera/camera housing or video receiving device extends into the passenger compartment all edges must be rounded and/or protected with enclosure of shatterproof construction;
- c. Flush-mounted camera systems (no extension into passenger compartment) may be mounted in any desired position on the bulkhead;
- d. Camera/Camera housing must be adequately secured to the bulkhead or ceiling in a manner to prevent separation from the vehicle in the event of a collision or mishap. Securement system shall be capable of withstanding a force of 5,672 Newtons applied from any direction without separation from the bus;
- e. Camera-mounting design must allow ready access for camera and video recording medium removal;
- f. All electrical connections shall be made with UL-approved wiring and protected by grommets any place it passes through metal panels.