The use of school buses shall be restricted to transporting pupils to and from school and to and from extra-curricular activities, except as otherwise provided by law.

Students participating in extracurricular activities, other than those held at school district facilities, may be transported to the extracurricular activity by school district transportation or by another means approved by the superintendent. Students attending extracurricular activities, other than those held at school district facilities may be transported to the extracurricular activity by school district transportation or by another means approved by the superintendent.

Students who are provided school district transportation for extracurricular activities will ride both to and from the activity in the school district vehicle unless arrangements have been made with the building principal prior to the activity. A student's parent may personally appear and request to transport the student home from a school sponsored activity in which the student traveled to the activity in school district transportation.

The board may at its discretion, transport persons other than students to and from activities, in which students of the school district are participants, or are attending the activity, or for which the school district is a sponsor. The board shall charge and collect an amount sufficient to reimburse all costs of furnishing the transportation and driver in each case except when a vehicle is used for transporting pupils to and from extra-curricular activities sponsored by the school district. Students may be charged or the transportation may be provided free of charge. Each individual request for transportation by non-school groups shall be submitted in writing to the superintendent or the superintendent's designee for approval.

Private carriers are not to be contracted for the purpose of transporting students to and from extra-curricular activities. Transportation will be provided by the school district in school district vehicles. Exceptions to this policy may include group travel and special trips to out of state destinations.

It shall be the responsibility of the superintendent to make a recommendation to the board as to whether the school district shall provide the transportation authorized in this policy. In making the recommendation to the board, the superintendent shall consider the financial condition of the school district, the number of individuals who would qualify for such transportation, and other factors the board or superintendent deem relevant.

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