

OPERATIONAL SERVICES

Transportation

The District shall provide free transportation for all students in the District: 1) residing at a distance of one and one-half (1-1/2) miles or more from school, or 2) residing within one and one-half (1-1/2) miles from the school where walking to school or to a pick-up point or bus stop would constitute a serious hazard as determined by the Illinois Department of Transportation due to vehicular traffic or rail crossing and adequate public transportation is not available. The District may provide and charge a fee for transportation for other students residing within one and one-half (1-1/2) miles from the school. Free transportation services and vehicle adaptation for special education students shall be provided if included in the students' individualized educational programs. The district may provide transportation to and from school-sponsored activities. Non-public school students shall be transported in accordance with State law. Homeless students shall be transported in accordance with the McKinney Homeless Assistance Act.

Bus schedules and routes shall be determined by the Principal in collaboration with the transportation services provider and shall be altered only with the Principal or Superintendent's approval and direction. In fixing the routes, the pickup and discharge points should be as safe and convenient for students as possible.

No school employee may transport students in school or private vehicles unless authorized by the Superintendent or Principal.

Every vehicle regularly used for the transportation of students must pass safety inspections in accordance with State law and Illinois Department of Transportation regulations. All contracts for charter bus services must contain the clause prescribed by state law regarding criminal background checks for bus drivers. The Superintendent is authorized to implement this policy with administrative procedures.

LEGAL REF.: 105 ILCS 5/10-22.22 and 5/29-1 et seq.
625 ILCS 5/1-182, 5/11-1414.1 and 5/13-109.
23 Ill. Admin. Code §§ 1.510a and 226.935.
McKinney Homeless Assistance Act, 42 U.S. C.
§1431 et seq.
105 ILCS 45/1-15

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