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TRANSPORTATION ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

DISTRICT STUDENTS ARE CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO THE FOLLOWING FIVE PROGRAM CATEGORIES FOR PURPOSES OF DETERMINING TRANSPORTATION ELIGIBILITY:

- CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY
- MAGNET
- SCHOOL OF CHOICE
- STANDARD EDUCATION
- SPECIAL EDUCATION

CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS

STUDENTS ELIGIBLE FOR CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM TRANSPORTATION ARE RESIDENT DISTRICT STUDENTS ENROLLED IN REGULAR OR SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS WHO ATTEND APPROVED CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS THAT ARE NOT AVAILABLE AT THEIR ASSIGNED CAMPUSES DURING A PORTION OF THEIR REGULAR SCHOOL DAY. CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY STUDENTS MAY BE PROVIDED ROUND-TRIP TRANSPORTATION BETWEEN THEIR ASSIGNED CAMPUSES OF REGULAR ATTENDANCE AND THE CAMPUSES OF THEIR APPROVED CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS.

MAGNET

STUDENTS ELIGIBLE FOR TRANSPORTATION TO MAGNET PROGRAMS ARE RESIDENT DISTRICT STUDENTS WHO ARE ATTENDING SUCH PROGRAMS ON APPROVED TRANSFERS. STUDENTS ELIGIBLE FOR MAGNET PROGRAM TRANSPORTATION MAY BE PROVIDED ROUND-TRIP TRANSPORTATION BETWEEN THEIR ASSIGNED CAMPUSES OF REGULAR ATTENDANCE AND THE MAGNET PROGRAM CAMPUS.

SCHOOL OF CHOICE

SCHOOL OF CHOICE TRANSPORTATION IS FOR RESIDENT DISTRICT STUDENTS ENROLLED IN REGULAR EDUCATION PROGRAMS. SCHOOL OF CHOICE TRANSPORTATION MAY BE PROVIDED ROUND-TRIP TO CAMPUSES WITHIN THEIR DISTRICT-DESIGNATED ZONE.

STANDARD EDUCATION PROGRAMS

STUDENTS ELIGIBLE FOR TRANSPORTATION TO STANDARD EDUCATION PROGRAMS ARE RESIDENT DISTRICT STUDENTS WHO RESIDE TWO MILES OR MORE FROM THEIR ZONED SCHOOLS OF ATTENDANCE. STUDENTS ELIGIBLE FOR STANDARD EDUCATION TRANSPORTATION MAY BE

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PROVIDED ROUND-TRIP TRANSPORTATION BETWEEN DISTRICT-DESIGNATED STOPS AND THEIR ASSIGNED CAMPUSES.

SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

STUDENTS ELIGIBLE FOR TRANSPORTATION TO SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS ARE RESIDENT DISTRICT STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES, IMPAIRMENTS, OR BOTH WHO ARE ELIGIBLE FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES AND WHO WOULD BE UNABLE TO ATTEND SCHOOL AND BENEFIT FROM THEIR SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS OF INSTRUCTION WITHOUT THE AVAILABILITY OF SPECIALIZED TRANSPORTATION. TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION TRANSPORTATION, A STUDENT MUST ATTEND THE CLOSEST APPROPRIATE PROGRAM TO HIS OR HER ZONED SCHOOL OF ATTENDANCE AND HAVE:

- A WRITTEN ADMISSION, REVIEW, AND DISMISSAL (ARD) COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION REQUESTING SPECIALIZED TRANSPORTATION SERVICES AND STATING THE SPECIFIC TYPE OF TRANSPORTATION SERVICES NECESSARY TO REASONABLY ACCOMMODATE THE STUDENT'S DISABILITY OR IMPAIRMENT; AND
- AN INDIVIDUALIZED EDUCATION PROGRAM OR INDI-VIDUALIZED FAMILY SERVICE PLAN THAT INCLUDES THE WRITTEN RECOMMENDATION OF THE ARD COM-MITTEE REQUESTING SPECIALIZED TRANSPORTA-TION SERVICES.

STUDENTS ELIGIBLE FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION TRANSPORTATION WILL BE PROVIDED ROUND-TRIP TRANSPORTATION BETWEEN DISTRICT-DESIGNATED STOPS AND THEIR ASSIGNED CAMPUSES, OR AS REQUIRED BY THE ARD COMMITTEE DETERMINATION.

BUS STOPS

ALL STUDENTS WHO USE DISTRICT TRANSPORTATION SHALL BOARD BUSES AT AUTHORIZED STOPS. AUTHORIZED BUS STOPS SHALL BE DESIGNATED ANNUALLY BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS OR DESIGNEE. BUS DRIVERS SHALL LOAD AND UNLOAD PASSENGERS ONLY AT AUTHORIZED STOPS.

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS SHALL BE EXERCISED IN BUS OP-ERATIONS AT ALL TIMES. IF AT ANY TIME THE BUS DRIVER

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IS UNCERTAIN ABOUT ROAD OR VEHICLE CONDITIONS, OR OTHER SAFETY FACTORS, THE DRIVER SHALL PARK THE VEHICLE UNTIL SAFE OPERATING CONDITIONS ARE ASSURED.

TRANSPORTATION

The following will apply to parents and other nonschool persons who may have reasons to ride school transportation on certain occasions:

- 1. A permission form requesting transportation on buses must be obtained in advance from the transportation office.
- 2. The permission form must be given to the bus driver or monitor at the time of the trip.
- 3. Permission must be obtained for each trip.
- 4. Persons are required to observe all transportation safety rules set by the District.
- 5. Children under five years of age will not be transported.

PAID BUSING

The following will apply to paid busing:

- 1. Bus service may be available in limited areas where the district has bus capacity for additional students.
- 2. Service is provided on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Paid busing students will be assigned to existing stops on bus routes only as space permits. The regular route will not be deviated from. Availability of seats may vary from year to year.
- 4. Bus passes will be used on designated bus routes only.
- 5. Students who qualify for the service have priority over students who do not. Students who pay for the service will be bumped to make room for regular two-mile students. However, every attempt will be made to avoid this. If the service cannot be provided due to availability issues, a prorated refund will be provided for the services not rendered.
- Campuses with students who do not qualify for services under traditional guidelines cannot be provided routes for paid busing.
- 7. The cost of the transportation is \$1.00 per trip or \$2.00 a day. Parents must pay for the full rate ahead of time. Paid busing fees must be prepaid per semester on a prorated basis. All

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paid busing passes will be issued by the transportation department only. The transportation department will review all requests and issue a bus pass once the request has been approved. The transportation department can take up to five business days to approve the request.

- 8. All requests for paid transportation will be approved after Labor Day. Transportation must first determine whether there is enough room on existing bus routes before the District begins offering paid service.
- 9. All student bus riders must follow all school bus rules and procedures as stated in the Student Code of Conduct.
- 10. Revenue generated will be deposited in the general operating fund to offset regular operating costs.

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