## ALMOND-BANCROFT SCHOOL DISTRICT Board Policy Manual

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## STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

The District shall provide transportation to and from school for all resident students who live outside the Almond village limits, students with disabilities as required by their individualized education programs (IEPs), and any other students as required by state and federal laws and regulations.

Except as otherwise provided, students residing within the Almond village limits are not provided bus transportation unless any of the following conditions exist:

- (1) If physical walking to and from school poses an unusual hazard, transportation will be provided.
- (2) Students who live within the village boundaries but who get on and off the bus at a residence outside the village limits on a consistent basis will be allowed to do so until the bus reaches full capacity

Parents/guardians who would like their child(ren) picked up and/or dropped off at a point other than their residence on their assigned bus route, on a consistent basis, must sign a written consent form and have it approved by the District Administrator or designee.

A student assigned to a specific bus must ride to and from school on that same bus. Exceptions may only be granted on an individual basis under special circumstances (e.g., going to a birthday party at another student's house) with a written note from the student's parent/guardian.

The School Board maintains the right of final approval to any busing exception. All requests for changes must be addressed to the District Administrator and not the bus company.

All bus routes and scheduling shall be arranged so as to provide for the safety of students and efficient utilization of buses. The bus company is requested to stagger bus arrivals at school between 7:55 and 8:05 to resolve safety hazards created when the buses arrive and unload at the same time. The Board and administration continually take a close look at all aspects of busing activities to prevent any accidents from occurring.

Bus drivers shall be responsible for safeguarding students as they transport them to and from school. The District also asks for the cooperation of parents/guardians when it comes to busing.

Students shall conduct themselves while on the bus in a manner consistent with established codes of conduct and bus rider rules. While older students are often excellent bus riders, some of the younger students need positive incentives to improve their bus ridership skills. The bus drivers will reward good behavior with tickets that can be collected and exchanged for prizes. Students who misbehave on the bus shall be subject to disciplinary action in accordance with established District procedures.

LEGAL REF.: Sections 115.787(2)(c) Wisconsin Statutes

118.51(14) 120.13(27m) 121.51 - 121.56

TRANS 300, Wisconsin Administrative Code

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McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act

CROSS REF.: 352, Field Trips

370, Extracurricular Activities

420-Rule(2), Procedures for Enrollment and Placement of Homeless Children

and Youth

423, Public School Open Enrollment

443, Student Conduct

723.3, Emergency School Closings

751.11, Transportation of Four-Year-Old and Five-Year-Old Kindergarten

Students

751.21, Use of Video Camera on School Bus

751.3, Extracurricular Transportation

751.3-Rule, Procedures for Use of Vehicles Other Than School Buses to

**Transport Students** 

Special Education Handbook

Student Handbooks

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