

Student Transportation

The school district's transportation program shall be designed to get students who live an unreasonable walking distance from school or are attending a school other than their assigned school pursuant to the No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB) choice option to school and back in an efficient, safe and economical manner.

Transportation services will not be provided to Jump Start Pre School students unless they have been identified as students with disabilities and the student's individualized education program or 504 plan requires the district to provide transportation.

General responsibility for the transportation system is vested in the chief operations officer. All other people engaged in the transportation program are responsible to that administrator.

It shall be the duty of the chief operations officer to provide the Board with regular reports and information regarding the efficiency and conduct of the transportation program.

The district shall operate its own fleet of buses and other types of vehicles as needed.

In the event the Board determines that the unreimbursed expenses associated with providing student transportation are impacting the budget for instructional programs, the Board may explore opportunities to offset those costs through imposition of a transportation fee in accordance with state law.

Alternatively, the district may submit to the voters the question of whether to impose a mill levy increase for the payment of excess transportation costs in accordance with state law. If the mill levy increase is approved, the revenues shall be deposited in the transportation fund.

The district shall waive any transportation fee for any student eligible for reduced price or free lunches as determined by federal regulations.

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LEGAL REFS.: 20 U.S.C. 1116 (*choice options contained in No Child Left Behind Act of 2001*)
C.R.S. 22-32-110 (1)(a) (*hold real property in name of district*)
C.R.S. 22-32-113 (*transportation of pupils and imposition of fee for excess transportation costs*)
C.R.S. 22-32-114 (*transportation by parents of own children*)
C.R.S. 22-51-101 *et seq.* (*Public School Transportation Fund*)

CROSS REFS.: DEA, Fund From Local Tax Services
EEA, subcodes, (all relate to the district's transportation program)
EFC, Free and Reduced Price Food Services
JFBA, Intra-District Choice/Open Enrollment
JQ, Student Fees, Fines and Charges
LBD*-R, Relations with District Charter Schools

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