

Student Transportation

The school district's transportation program shall be designed to improve the educational opportunities for students who live beyond a reasonable walking distance from schools throughout the district. The Board of Education commits itself to the maintenance of a comprehensive student transportation system.

General responsibility for the transportation system shall be vested in the superintendent. All other people engaged in the transportation program are responsible to that administrator.

It shall be the superintendent's responsibility to provide the Board with regular reports and information regarding the efficiency and conduct of the transportation program.

Basic principles

The Board believes that to be successful the district's transportation program should include focus on the following:

1. State requirements in relation to Board policies

The district's transportation policies shall be in accordance with state law and rules issued by the Colorado Department of Education regarding school transportation.

2. Safety

The transportation program shall emphasize safety. The transportation department shall cooperate with the learning services departments to ensure that students, parents, instructional personnel and transportation workers cooperate to emphasize safety with students.

3. Economy

The transportation program shall operate within the district's budgetary capabilities.

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.

4. Adequacy

Transportation services are intended for students residing within district boundaries. The district reserves the right to contract with parents and/or other districts to transport students to, from and between schools.

5. Efficiency

Schedules shall be arranged to provide transportation services with as much promptness and convenience as circumstances permit.

Equipment

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

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

CROSS REFS.: DEA, Funds from Local Tax Service
EEA subcodes (all relate to the district's transportation program)
EFC, Free and Reduced Price Food Services
IJOA, Field Trips
JFBA/JFBB, Open Enrollment
JH, Student Travel
JQ, Student Fees, Fines and Charges
LBD*-R, Relations with District Charter Schools