

## ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION EEA-R

### SUPPORT SERVICES- STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

#### 1:0 PROCEDURE

- 1:1 It is impossible to predict a bus transportation protocol that eliminates or compensates for all troublesome and/or unforeseen situations. The intent of Administrative Regulation EEA-R is to clearly set forth the roles and responsibilities of all stakeholders in order to enhance student safety.
- 1:2 It shall remain the responsibility of parents/guardians to ensure the safety of their children between their residence and assigned bus stop during the time before students board the bus at the bus stop and after the students alight from the bus at their “return from school” destination.
- 1:3 Parents must assume their responsibility to provide transportation or an escort to a stop or school if they are concerned with a situation. It shall be the responsibility of the bus company to transport students safely from school to their designated bus stop. From this point on, it is the responsibility of the parent or guardian to assure safe retrieval of the child.
- 1:4 Parents are expected to be at the bus stop if they escort their children home. Students in grades K – 2, will not be allowed to leave a bus unless there is a parent, guardian, responsible caregiver, or an older sibling whom the child recognizes at the bus stop or is within sight distance to receive the student.
- 1:5 The bus driver is not required to wait for a parent to arrive. Drivers will, however, bring students back to the school. If a parent or recognizable caregiver is not at the bus stop to meet the K – 2, the bus driver will radio their dispatcher indicating the circumstances asking the dispatcher to call the school involved so that the returning student will be anticipated. At no time shall the driver leave a K - 2 student unattended. After the last stop on the route, the driver will return to the school until such time as the youngster(s) can be released to a parent or guardian with proper identification.
- 1:6 Warnings will be issued to a parent/guardian if infractions of the above conditions take place. The parent/guardian will be put on notice if infractions should occur any additional times. Repeated occurrences will result in the forfeiture of transportation privileges.

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