

SPECIAL USE OF SCHOOL BUSES

General Philosophy - The transportation equipment purchased by the school district has primary use for school purposes and taxpayers have assurance that they will not be expected to subsidize busing costs not required for school district purposes. Nevertheless, it is board policy to make available for use by appropriate community groups, school transportation equipment to the extent that such does not impinge upon or impair use for school district purposes.

Youth Activities

By specific school board action school owned buses may be rented or used by community groups or non-profit clubs, fraternal societies or other organizations for the transportation of person(s) under the age of twenty-one years. However, the distance traveled is restricted to 100 miles one way. The group or persons using the bus must provide a fully qualified driver and determine that insurance coverage on the vehicle(s), for this usage, is equal to that provided for the normal use of the bus. (Present school insurance policy may be adequate-with a call to agent.)

Spectator Activities

The Board (Superintendent) may grant permission for buses to be used to transport student or adult spectators to interscholastic activities. Adults who are transported shall be charged and students may be charged to cover a prorated share of actual costs of operation.

Elderly or Handicapped

By specific board action school owned buses may be rented or used by nonprofit organizations to transport persons fifty-five years of age and older or handicapped persons when those buses are used for the purpose of providing shelter, health care, nutrition, religious activities and other necessities of life.

Emergency Usage

At various times other school districts, due to emergency or unusual circumstances, request the use of buses owned by the school district. Such usage shall be permitted provide the other district reimburses the Wall School District 51-5 for the costs as set forth in the A.S.B.S.D. Emergency School Bus Pact.

Regulations, Fees and Procedures

Regulations, fees and procedures for community use of school transportation equipment will be developed by the administration and approved by the board.