

## **SPECIAL USE OF DISTRICT TRANSPORTATION VEHICLES**

**Code: EEB RSU #78**

District Transportation Vehicles will be used primarily for district purposes. When available and when it shall not cause hardship to the district or detriment to the operation or maintenance of the fleet, vehicles may be used in support of community sponsored non-school activities that are not commercial and are non-profit in nature. All such use must be in conformance with state uses of district transportation vehicles for such activities and shall be subject to approval by the Superintendent.

The definition of a District Transportation Vehicle as referred to in this policy includes all motor vehicles, as described in the law, with carrying capacity of 10 (ten) or more passengers, owned or contracted by the district and operated for the transportation of children and sponsoring persons to and from school or to and from school activities which are part of the total school program.

Currently RSU #78 has two types of District Transportation Vehicles; the standard yellow school buses and the small, white bus/van. The standard yellow school bus is the only vehicle available for public use and only at the discretion of the Superintendent.

The sponsors for any non-district use are expected to pay for fuel and other expenses related to vehicle use, as per EEB-R, including insurance, maintenance and depreciation. A vehicle will be made available for community-sponsored use only when driven by a licensed school bus driver employed by RSU #78. In the event a RSU #78 driver is unavailable, the Superintendent may approve another appropriately licensed school bus driver. The sponsor will be responsible for reimbursing the district for driver pay, including overtime and other expenses such as meals. The district will bill the sponsor for use of the bus and driver.

The Superintendent will be responsible for developing and implementing procedures for special use of vehicles, including the fee schedule and proof of insurance. The Board will review the fee schedule annually.

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