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EMID 6067 Board Policy 709

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709 STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SAFETY

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to provide safe transportation and to educate students on safety issues and the responsibilities of ridership in buses, vans, and/or taxis to and from integration program events. EMID will work cooperatively with member districts to provide safe transportation for our students.

II. CONDUCT ON TRANSPORTATION AND CONSEQUENCES FOR MISBEHAVIOR

- A. Receiving transportation is a privilege, not a right. Students are expected to follow the same behavioral standards while riding in buses, vans, and/or taxis as are expected at school activities, functions or events. All EMID rules are in effect while a student is being transported or at the bus stop.
- B. Consequences for misconduct will be imposed by the program supervisor. In addition, all misconduct will be reported to the member district's integration coordinator, building principal, or superintendent. Serious misconduct will be reported to the Department of Public Safety and may be reported to local law enforcement.
- C. EMID will maintain a procedure detailing the transportation rules, consequences for misconduct, and parental involvement.

III. PARENT AND GUARDIAN NOTIFICATION

A copy of the transportation rules will be provided to each family at the beginning of the program. Parents and guardians are asked to review the rules with their students.

IV. DRIVERS

- A. EMID shall hire only companies with drivers with a valid Class A, B, or C Minnesota driver's license with a school bus endorsement.
- B. Drivers will abide by the EMID Operating Rules in Procedure 709A
- C. EMID staff shall not transport students in private vehicles.



Legal References:

Minn. Stat. § 122A.18, Subd. 8 (Board to Issue Licenses)
Minn Stat. § 123B.03 (Background Checks)
Minn, Stat, § 123B.42 (Textbooks; Individual Instructor or Cooperative Learning Material; Standard Tests)
Minn. Stat. § 123B.88 (Independent School Districts; Transportation)
Minn. Stat. § 123B.885 (Diesel School Buses; Operation of Engine; Parking)
Minn. Stat. § 123B.90 (School Bus Safety Training)
Minn. Stat. § 123B.91 (School District Bus Safety Responsibilities)
Minn. Stat. § 144.057 (Background Studies on Licenses and Other Personnel)
Minn. Stat. Ch. 169 (Traffic Regulations)
Minn. Stat. § 169.011, Subds. 15, 16, and 71 (Definitions)
Minn. Stat. § 169.02 (Scope)
Minn. Stat. § 169.443 (Safety of School Children; Bus Driver's Duties)
Minn. Stat. § 169.446, Subd. 2 (Driver Training Programs)
Minn. Stat. § 169.451 (Inspecting School and Head Start Buses; Rules; Misdemeanor)
Minn. Stat. § 169.454 (Type III Vehicle Standards)
Minn. Stat. § 169.4582 (Reportable Offense on School Buses)
Minn. Stat. §§ 169A.25 – 169A.27 (Driving While Impaired)
Minn. Stat. § 169A.31 (Alcohol-Related School Bus or Head Start Bus Driving)
Minn. Stat. §§ 167A.50 – 169A.53 (Implied Consent Law)
Minn. Stat. § 171.02, Subds. 2, 2a, and 2b (Licenses; Types, Endorsements, Restrictions)
Minn. Stat. § 171.168 (Notification of Conviction for Violation by a Commercial Driver)
Minn. Stat. § 171.169 (Notification of Suspension of License of Commercial Driver)
Minn. Stat. § 171.321 (Qualifications of School Bus Driver)
Minn. Stat. § 171.3215, Subd. 1(c) (Canceling Bus Endorsement for Certain Offenses)
Minn. Stat. § 181.951 (Authorized Drug and Alcohol Testing)
Minn. Stat. Ch. 245C (Human Services Background Studies)
Minn. Stat. § 609.02 (Definitions)
Minn. Rules Parts 7470.1000-7470.1700 (School Bus Inspection)
49 C.F.R. § 383.31 (Notification of Convictions for Driver Violations)
49 C.F.R. § 383.33 (Notification of Driver's License Suspension)
49 C.F.R. § 383.5 (Transportation Definitions)

Cross References:

EMID Policy 707 (Transportation of Public Students)
MSBA/MASA Model Policy 416 (Drug and Alcohol Testing)
MSBA/MASA Model Policy 506 (Student Discipline)
MSBA/MASA Model Policy 515 (Protection and Privacy of Pupil Records)
MSBA/MASA Model Policy 707 (Transportation of Public Students)
MSBA/MASA Model Policy 708 (Transportation of Non-Public Students)
MSBA Model Policy 710 (Extracurricular Transportation)
MSBA Service Manual, Chapter 10, Transportation