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4320 School Vehicles

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District owned or leased vehicles shall not be loaned, leased, or subcontracted to any person, groups of persons or organizations except as allowed by law and subject to Board approval. School District vehicles shall be used in accordance with Board policy and applicable laws.

Cost and long-term energy efficiency shall be considered when reviewing transportation options for the district. The Superintendent or designee shall perform an analysis of cost and efficiency for transportation. An annual report shall be provided to the Board's Finance Committee.

No public funds shall be spent by the Board to hire, rent, or lease any form of transportation to be used by any student, school employee, patron, or any organization to transport anyone to or from a religious activity.

Liability

All school vehicles shall be adequately insured.

Safety

Every bus driver shall have authority and responsibility for the passengers riding in school buses.

Safety Inspection

All school vehicles shall be inspected annually prior to the opening of school.

Records

Every driver of school vehicles shall keep accurate records pertaining to each vehicle assigned to him/her.

Licensing of Drivers

Michigan laws and regulations of the Michigan Department of Education set standards for the physical fitness, competence, experience, training, and proper licensing of school bus drivers. The Board directs the Superintendent to ensure that these legal requirements and regulations are complied with strictly.

School Bus Safety Program

The Superintendent and building Principal shall develop school bus safety rules for bus drivers and students.

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