

## **STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES**

### BARABOO SCHOOL BOARD POLICY

#### **751**

The School District of Baraboo shall provide transportation to and from school for all District resident students, including those attending parochial or private schools, who live two miles or more from their school of attendance. Transportation services shall be provided in a manner prescribed by state law.

The Board shall provide transportation to and from school for students residing less than two miles from their school of attendance if they live in an area of unusual hazard as defined by law and determined by the Board in accordance with established District procedures and approved by the Sauk County Sheriff's Department.

The Board of Education (Board) reserves the right to establish all bus pickup points. Pickup points in all cases shall be arranged consistent with good safety practices and efficient operational procedures. Students may be required to walk to and from established pickup points to board and after leaving their bus. Kindergarten through fourth grade students should walk no more than one-quarter of a mile. Fifth through twelfth grade students should walk no more than one-half of a mile.

Buses are restricted to District boundaries in their pickups of parochial, private and public school students. The transportation of student(s) living outside of the School District of Baraboo to schools in the School District of Baraboo is the responsibility of the district in which the said student(s) live, except as otherwise provided by law. The District will avoid, except under extraordinary circumstances, commitments to pick up non-resident students at district boundary lines for purposes of transporting to schools within the district due to the safety factors, schedule factors and the fact that said students do not qualify for transportation aids.

The School District may operate shuttle buses within the city of Baraboo. Any eligible student may ride the shuttle bus if they walk to the established pickup points and space is available. Riding the shuttle is on a first-come, first-served basis.

The Board shall provide transportation for students with disabilities in accordance with applicable laws and as required by their individualized education programs (IEP's).

Other student transportation shall be provided as required by law and other District policies. This includes transportation for homeless students and students in foster care.

The Board views the transportation program as an extension of the classroom and shall require students to conduct themselves on the bus in a manner consistent with the established standards of classroom behavior. District officials, the bus contractor and the

bus drivers, parents/guardians and the students shall work together to ensure a safe, successful and economical transportation program.

Misconduct while waiting for the bus, on the bus, or damage to the bus may result in a student being denied the privilege of riding the bus through transportation suspension or expulsion. Procedures to suspend privileges or expel a student from the bus shall conform to the guidelines set forth in applicable state statutes and subsequent district policy.

The terminal manager (bus contractor) is responsible for coordinating and directing all bus schedules and routes. The terminal manager (bus contractor) will be responsible for maintaining an electronic database of students and routes. The electronic database of students and routes will be a current/up-to-date listing that will be made available to the district administrator or his/her designee upon request. In directing the bus services, the manager shall make decisions, which further the interests of the students and the goals of the District.

LEGAL REF: Sections 118.51(14), 118.52(11), 120.13(1), 121.51-121.58, 121.84(4)  
Wisconsin Statutes  
PI 7, Wisconsin Administrative Code  
McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act of 1987  
Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015

CROSS REF: 352.1 Elementary Field Trips and Excursions  
352.2 High School and Middle School Extended Field Trips and  
Excursions  
422 Admission of Nonresident Students (other than Open Enrollment)  
423 Public School Open Enrollment  
426 Children and Youth in Transition  
432 Elementary School Attendance Areas  
447.3 Student Suspensions  
447.4 Student Expulsions  
751-Rule (1) Student Transportation Services  
751-Rule (2) Procedure for Determining Unusually Hazardous Areas  
751.21 Use of Video Cameras on Buses  
751.5 Transportation of Students by Staff

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