

Billings School District 2

NONINSTRUCTIONAL OPERATIONS

“No Idle” Procedure

The contribution of engine exhaust emissions to air pollution and associated health impact on people, particularly children in the Billings area, is an issue that the Billings Public Schools wants to alleviate.

This “No Idle” Procedure is in effect for all school buses and vehicles owned or contracted by Billings Public Schools.

Route/Trip Departure From Schools Or Other Locations:

- a. Busses and vehicles are to be started after students are loaded and are ready to depart from the school or other locations (this includes field trip locations). Buses and vehicles are not to be started prior to departure.

Route/Trip Arrival At School Or Other Destinations:

- a. Engines are to be turned off when students are unloading at a school or other destination (this includes field trip locations) to reduce the exposure of students to unnecessary exhaust emissions.

Cold Weather Exception:

- a. When the temperature is below freezing, school buses and vehicles will be allowed to have their engines running for a maximum time of five (5) minutes before and after loading/unloading at a school or other destination (this includes field trip locations).

Cross References: 8231: School Wellness

Legal References: 20-10-107 - Power of Trustees
20-10-121 – Duty of Trustees to Provide Transportation

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