NON-INSTRUCTIONAL OPERATIONS

Transportation

The district shall provide safe and efficient transportation to and from school for all students living in the district:

- 1. Where homes are not within walking distance of the schools to which they are assigned.
- 2. Where the walking route to school is hazardous.
- 3. For whom there is other compelling and legally sufficient reasons to receive transportation services.

The district's transportation program shall comply in all ways with state law and regulation. Transportation services of the district shall include approved bus routes, state-reimbursable field trips, district-approved field trips, school activities (participants only) and extracurricular activities.

Private school children may ride district buses to and from school if the private schools are state approved in accordance with RCW 28A.160.020, and as long as the following conditions are met:

- 1. The board of directors shall not be required to alter those bus routes or stops established for transporting public school students;
- 2. Private school students shall be allowed to ride on a seat-available basis only; and
- 3. The board of directors shall charge an amount sufficient to reimburse the district for the actual per seat cost of providing such transportation.

In accordance with RCW 46-61-350 and WAC 392-145-070, an exception is allowed regarding Railroad Crossings for the following crossing.

- Leslie Road just west of the roundabout at the intersection of Leslie Road and Clearwater Avenue / Badger Road.
- Bus drivers approaching this crossing heading southeast that are not continuing into Badger Canyon are required to remain in the left hand lane as they approach the railroad crossing and stop, look, and listen at this crossing, as well as activate the caution lights, but are not required to open the door.

Policy No. 8100 Transportation – Continued

Legal Reference: RCW <u>28A.160.010</u> Operation of student transportation program-

-Responsibility of local district--Scope--

Transporting of elderly--Insurance

RCW 46-61-350 Certain vehicles must stop at all railroad

grade crossings – Exceptions - Definition

WAC <u>392-145-070</u> Rail grade crossings

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