

Bus Conduct

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In order to help ensure the safety and well-being of students, bus drivers, and others, the Board of Education expects students to exhibit appropriate and orderly conduct at all times when using school transportation, including while preparing to ride, riding, or leaving the bus.

The Superintendent or designee shall establish regulations related to student conduct on buses, bus driver authority, and the suspension of riding privileges. They shall make these rules available to parents/guardians, students, and other interested parties.

Students found to be in violation of the district's bus conduct rules shall be subject to discipline in accordance with Board policy and rule.

The Superintendent or designee may deny a student the privilege of using school transportation upon the student's continued disorderly conduct or their persistent refusal to submit to the authority of the driver.

Bus Surveillance Systems

The Board believes that the use of surveillance systems on school buses will help to deter misconduct and improve discipline, ensure the safety of students and bus drivers, and prevent vandalism. Therefore, surveillance systems may be installed and used on school buses to monitor student behavior while traveling to and from school and school activities.

The Superintendent or designee shall notify students, parents/guardians, and staff that surveillance may occur on any school bus and that the contents of a recording may be a student record and, as such, may be used in student disciplinary proceedings or referred to local law enforcement, as appropriate. In addition, a prominent notice shall be placed in each bus stating that the bus is equipped with a surveillance monitoring system.

Policy Reference Disclaimer:

These references are not intended to be part of the policy itself, nor do they indicate the basis or authority for the Board to enact this policy. Instead, they are provided as additional resources for those interested in the subject matter of the policy.

Legal References:

STATE

CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS

13 CCR 1200-1294 Motor carrier safety

5 CCR 14103 Authority of the driver

EDUCATION CODES

35160 Authority of governing boards

39800-39860 Transportation services

39839 Transportation services Transportation of guide dogs, signal dogs, service dogs

44808 Duty to supervise conduct of students

48900 Grounds for suspension or expulsion

48918 Rules governing expulsion procedures

49060-49079 Student records

49073-49079 Privacy of student records
7920.000-7930.215 California Public Records Act

FEDERAL

UNITED STATES CODES

20 USC 1232g Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) of 1974
34 CFR 99.1-99.67 Family Educational Rights and Privacy

MANAGEMENT RESOURCES

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF JUSTICE PUBLICATION

The Appropriate and Effective Use of Security Technologies in U.S. Schools: A Guide for Schools and Law Enforcement Agencies, 1999

WEBSITES

CSBA District and County Office of Education Legal Services <https://legalservices.csba.org/#>
California Department of Education, Office of School Transportation <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/tn#>
U.S. Department of Education, Family Policy Compliance Office
<https://www2.ed.gov/policy/gen/guid/fpcos/index.html#>
CSBA <http://www.csba.org/#>

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