CHARTER RATES 2025-26
*** First Student, Inc. & Northstar Bus Lines***
Effective 7-1-2025

MINIMUM CHARGE *(all school buses)*:	$160.00 for 2 hours or less
ADDITIONAL HOURS *(after 2 hours)*:	$80.00 per hour *(charged by "live" minutes)* i.e.: 22 minutes = .37 *(22/60)*
ADDITIONAL MILEAGE:	$3.75 per mile plus $101.00 per hour at destination (*Outside the 9 County area only*)
TRAILERS	No Charge

All trips will be charged by time only within the 9 County metro area as follows:
Hennepin, Anoka, Ramsey, Dakota, Carver, Scott, Sherburne, Washington, and Wright.

$160.00 cancellation charge: Failure to cancel a trip within **2 hours** for any trip will be charged a Cancel on Arrival (COA). Exceptions would be weather-related conditions.

TIME CALCULATION: Trip time begins when the bus arrives to pick up your group and ends when the group is returned to the point of origin for a round trip or dropped at the destination for a one-way trip.

MILEAGE CALCULATION: There is none **unless** you go outside the 9 County metro area. Trips which are outside the area will need to be quoted as well as ALL coach bus orders.

ORDERING: **The contract requires one week notice** of trip—if not received within that time, the contractor may deny the request if drivers or equipment are not available. Be sure to have the completed form **submitted to our office at least 10 days prior** to the trip date.

EXAMPLES:

FB to MN Children's Museum: --- **OR** --- FB to MN Children's Museum

Load @ 9:30am		Load @ 9:30am	
Return @ 3:00pm	$440.00 (5.5hrs x $80.00)	Return @ 3:22pm	$460.00 (5.87 x $80.00)
Miles (64 round trip)	$0.00	Miles (64 round trip)	$0.00
TOTAL:	**$440.00 per bus**	**TOTAL:**	**$469.60 per bus**

PLEASE NOTE:

First Student and Northstar will be handling all our trips with a few exceptions (driver shortages, high demand of wheelchair bus requests and high volume of field trips and athletic charters on peak days). ***Please remember that trips need to fall between the time frame of 9:30-1:30pm in order to accommodate due to driver shortage.***

Remember, all transportation requests need to go through the Transportation Department so we can help alleviate any miscommunication and billing problems. Thank you.

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