

TERRELL COUNTY BOARD POLICY
Student Transportation Management

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The major purpose of school transportation is to get pupils from school and back in an appropriate, safe, and economical manner. The use of school buses shall be restricted to transporting students to and from school or school sponsored activities except when recommended by the Superintendent and approved by the Board.

1. A sufficient number of buses will be provided so that none will be overloaded;
2. Equipment will be purchased through competitive bidding;
3. Equipment will be serviced by competent mechanics in the system owned garage;
4. Vehicles will be inspected and serviced at regular intervals and repairs made as needed;
5. Specifications for buses will, as a minimum, meet all standards required by the State Board of Education.

The designated student transportation administrator, in coordination with school principals, shall be responsible for scheduling all student transportation. This includes the determination of routes, bus stops, rules and regulations, and other matters relative to the student transportation program.

Bus routes shall be determined in such manner as to provide the most practical, direct service and at the same time comply with the obligation to meet student needs. The Transportation Director shall conduct the necessary surveys, determine the routes and pickup stations and be responsible for the overall administration of the transportation system while working at the direction and under the supervision of the Superintendent.

It is the policy of the Board to not allow passengers on school buses other than public school children and other personnel necessary to assist public school programs.

Drivers of system-owned vehicles shall be licensed in accordance with state law and are expected to observe all traffic and safety regulations.

All system-owned vehicles shall be insured, the kind and amount to be recommended by the Superintendent and approved by the Board.