

Local and State Transportation Regulations

The policy, rules and regulations for transportation of pupils to and from school and to and from school sponsored events shall be in compliance with statutory provisions, State Department of Education regulations, and rules and regulations established and approved by the Board of Education of Independent School District #581.

Regulation 1: All contracts with bus contractors for the purpose of transporting district students shall be made through the Superintendent of Schools.

Regulation 2: The Board of Education of Independent School District #581 shall
11.1 designate the district bus supervisor and transportation safety director.

Regulation 3: Bus routes will be set up in the most efficient manner possible by the District #581 staff authorized by the Superintendent with assistance of the bus supervisor or contractor.

Regulation 4: The responsibility for students using buses rests with parents or
11.5 guardians until the student actually boards the bus for school and again after the student gets off the bus on the return trip.

Regulation 5: Bus drivers will be responsible for the safety and conduct of students on
11.8 their buses. In cases where serious conduct or safety violations have occurred, the bus driver will confer with the safety director before taking action.

Regulation 6: Parents, guardians and students are on notice that transportation by
11.4 school bus is a privilege and that violation of established rules of conduct and safety can result in revocation of that privilege. Parents and guardians are to be advised that bus transportation of their students is a privilege that can be revoked.

Regulation 7: District officials shall develop, post and review with parents, guardians
11.4 and students, rules and regulations for safety and conduct while riding
11.6 district school buses. The rules and regulations shall include a process
11.7 of training students and staff in courtesy and safety while boarding and
11.9 riding school buses, a system for disciplining offenders, recording of offenses, and notification of parents or guardians.

Regulation 8: Misconduct such as theft, bodily harm or destruction of property, but not
11.7 limited to, shall be disciplined by the district and referred to the proper authorities for prosecution.