

Regulation EDDA-R(1): Special Use of School Buses

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The following criteria will be considered when determining if Bibb County School District ("District") owned school buses will be approved for use for transporting students for instructional programs or school-related purposes:

1. Trips must not interfere with the process of transporting students to and from school.
2. Groups must be organized school groups.
3. Trips must be for educational or school related purposes.
4. A school official (teacher or principal) must accompany the group on a bus. A campus police officer may be used, at the expense of the group, when it is deemed necessary or desired.
5. The cost of such transportation and any additional insurance costs deemed reasonably necessary by the District must be paid in full from private or public funds other than public school funds. All expenses incurred by such trips will be charged to the school or department requesting the trip.
6. School site approval requests for the use Use of school buses for educational field trips, athletic trips, transportation of music or choral groups, summer school programs or for other school-related activities should be scheduled-submitted at the earliest practical date consistent with pre-event planning and in no instance less than ten days before the event occurs. (See IFCB)
7. The principal is responsible for providing a teacher, chaperone or escort aboard each bus used for trip purposes and for instructing teachers, chaperones, or others designated as escorts, to observe the conduct of students while the bus is transit, until the students are returned to school or parental control. Students are to exercise good behavior and conduct on the District's school buses.
8. School bus drivers are to be qualified and licensed as prescribed by law. The operation of school buses by persons other than qualified licensed bus drivers is forbidden.
9. Only licensed, certified drivers who are employed by the District will be permitted to operate District buses and vehicles.
10. Any repairs or cleaning which are necessary due to abuse, misuse or vandalism by participants will become a trip expense and be the responsibility of the school or department requesting transportation.