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School Bus Scheduling and Routing

Once school bus routes are established, there will be no changes and/or variations made to the routes without the approval of the superintendent and changes will not be implemented until parents have been notified of these changes.

Bus stops will be planned so that a student does not have to cross a major thoroughfare immediately after getting off the bus. Bus stops will not be set up along major thoroughfares, whenever access is possible by using an adjacent street or road. A "major thoroughfare," as defined in state law, is a freeway, a U.S. highway outside incorporated areas, an interstate highway, a highway with four or more lanes, or a road with a median separating multiple lanes of traffic. Two-lane highways will be exempt from this requirement if the Board, in consultation with local traffic officials, determines the road may be crossed safely.

Buses will travel on graveled and maintained public all-weather roads. The Director of Transportation shall make the initial determination as to whether roads are gravel, maintained, public all-weather roads. Appeals relative to the status of roads will be made to the Superintendent of Schools. A final decision on road status ultimately lies with the Board of Education.

Drivers are to make no changes in routes or receiving and discharge points except in cases where road conditions require immediate decisions and such changes are absolutely required. When such conditions exist, the safety of students is to be the governing factor. Drivers are to report such conditions to the Director of Transportation and Superintendent, as soon as possible after deviations are made.

Students are always to be received and discharged at the same point and are to ride their assigned bus except when written permission for change is provided by parents and approved by the Director of Transportation and/or Superintendent.

Students will be expected to be at bus stops at the time of the scheduled pickup. Drivers will wait for students only a brief time to preclude disruption of the remaining scheduled pick-up times.

Bus routes are expected to be run with sufficient time to deliver students to school, with safety concerns emphasized, prior to the start of the school day. Buses will depart eight to ten minutes after the high school's dismissal bell.

LEGAL REFS: C.R.S. 22-32-110(1)(a)
 C.R.S. 22-32-113(2)
 C.R.S. 22-32-114
 C.R.S. 22-51-101 et seq.
 C.R.S. 42-4-613

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