

SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION

The Ringwood school district recognizes that in Oklahoma, student transportation is a service that may be provided for its students by the school district. The school district wishes to assure its citizens that any transportation services provided by the district are to accomplish three goals:

1. To ensure that children of our district school are transported in the safest manner possible (see also policy CNAB);
2. To ensure that the transportation services provided are cost effective to our district's taxpayers;
3. To ensure that all transportation services are rendered in an equitable manner.

The school district will accomplish these goals through strict enforcement of its school transportation policies.

Definitions: For the purposes of clarification, the following terms are defined.

1. Supervisor of Transportation--the person appointed by the board of education responsible for the operation of student transportation services.
2. School bus driver--any person who operates a vehicle transporting school children under the direct auspices of the board of education.
3. School bus, transportation equipment--any vehicle or conveyance used to transport school children from their homes to school and from school to their homes.
4. Auxiliary transportation equipment--includes, but is not limited to, equipment used for transporting students to and from extracurricular activities, but does not include transportation equipment used for transporting students from their homes to school and from school to their homes.

Drivers of all school transportation equipment will abide by state laws, rules, and regulations and shall make appropriate reports as required.

The school district shall install and operate a video-monitoring system in or on the school buses or the bus stop-arms operated by the school district or may contract with a private vendor to do so for the purpose of recording violations of state law related to drivers overtaking school buses that are stopped to take on or discharge school children and the red loading signals are in operation.

**REFERENCE: 70 O.S. §9-104
47 O.S. § 11-705**