



TRANSPORTATION PROCEDURE	NWOSSC – 125
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125 REQUIREMENT TO RIDE REGULARLY
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Statement and Rationale	The school bus transportation system is designed with the intent that those registered are riding regularly and it is the primary mode of transportation for students. Students are not permitted to use school bus transportation on an as needed basis.
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Procedure	<p>To maintain a spot on the school bus, students must regularly use the service as their primary transportation.</p> <p>Regular usage is defined as using the service more than half of the time (e.g. three (3) out of five (5) days in a regular school week). The same applies if a student is registered for AM or PM bussing only.</p> <p>If service involves a route extension, deviation from the route, or the bus is only providing service for only one student, the frequency of required usage increases to four (4) out of five (5) days in a regular school week. This is due to the disruption to route timing which impacts other families as well as in the interest of fiscal responsibility.</p> <p>Exceptions will be made in shared family situations. Reasonable allowances will be made for individual circumstances such as illnesses, school activities, or other extended absences.</p> <p>Frequency of ridership will be monitored through daily bus attendance records, regular communication with drivers, and through route audits.</p> <p>If students are not using the service on the defined regular basis, students will be removed from the list and parents/guardians will be notified. Service may be re-instated through the Consortium should regular service be required.</p>
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Reference to Policy	<p>Implemented: 2016</p> <p>Reviewed: 2021</p>
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