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110 FOG CONDITIONS & REDUCED VISIBILITY	SEPTEMBER 2011

Statement and Rationale	In the interest of safety for students boarding the bus, students already on the bus and the bus driver, it is necessary to have a stop protocol in the event that visibility is reduced. Reduced visibility could be a result of, but not limited to, fog conditions, snow squalls or any other conditions which would prevent a school bus from stopping safely.
Procedure	If a driver is unable to make a stop safely because of poor visibility, the driver has full discretion on whether or not to make a scheduled stop. Student(s) may be left at their stop or conversely not dropped off at their stop in the afternoon. It is the responsibility of the Consortium to ensure that all bus stops are safe, not only for the students boarding/disembarking but also safe for the students and driver who are already on the bus. This procedure is in place for safety reasons for students as well as oncoming motorists or following traffic whose visibility is also compromised. Safety and conduct of students to and from the bus stop/service is the responsibility of the parent. In the event that a stop cannot be safely made, when it is safe to do so the driver will communicate to dispatch or directly to Consortium staff that the stop was not made. The Consortium may attempt to communicate with the parent/guardian to advise of same. A text alert for an area may be used if possible. To ensure that that all stakeholders are aware, the Consortium will communicate the fog procedure annually to all stakeholders via email alerts and the Consortium website in the fall.

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