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### EXCEPTIONAL TRANSPORTATION

The following uses of district transportation are a privilege, not a right, and, except where bound by the terms of a lease, the district may revoke that privilege through official board action at a regularly scheduled and legally advertised meeting.

#### School Activities

Transportation may be provided by the district for all activities which have been officially designated by the board as school activities. Activities may include, but not be limited to:

- A. Educational field trips growing out of regular classroom activity which are planned by the teacher, approved by the principal and supervised by school staff; and
- B. Other board-approved cocurricular programs.

#### Extracurricular Activities

The superintendent may authorize the use of district transportation vehicles transporting nonparticipating students to extracurricular activities. Such vehicles may be so used when the users pay an amount sufficient to reimburse the district for the complete cost of such use. District drivers shall be used on all such trips. Participants shall be supervised by staff.

#### Leasing of Buses

The district may enter into a written lease agreement with any of the following:

- A. A nonprofit organization transporting handicapped children and/or persons at least 60 years of age to and from the site of activities or programs deemed beneficial to such persons by such organizations, provided that commercial bus service is not reasonably available for such purpose;
- B. A governmental agency transporting personnel, supplies and/or evacuees in the event of a major forest fire, flood or other natural disaster;
- C. A user conducting an educational recreation program supported wholly or in part by tax funds.

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Such a lease agreement shall contain a clause absolving the district of any and all liability arising from the lessee's use and operation of the district's buses and a clause requiring the lessee to maintain adequate insurance to compensate the district for the potential loss of the buses leased. Potential users shall stipulate in writing that commercial or charter bus service is not reasonably available to provide the services for which a school bus is needed. The user shall reimburse the district for the actual costs plus a reasonable fee for use of the bus. Funds derived from the lease of a surplus bus shall be deposited in the transportation vehicle fund.

### Cooperative Programs

The board may enter into cooperative transportation agreements with other districts when it is economically advantageous to the cooperating districts and when it does not impair the quality of educational programs available to students.

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Cross Reference:	Board policy	2320	Field trips, Excursions and Outdoor Education
		6112	Rental or Lease of District Property
Legal References:	RCW	28A.160.010	Transporting of children to school or school activities--Transporting of elderly--Insurance
		28A.160.040	Lease of buses to transport handicapped children and elderly--Limitation
		28A.160.070	Lease of buses to transport handicapped children and elderly--Elderly persons defined--Program limitation
		28A.160.080	School buses, rental or lease for emergency purposes--Authorization
		28A.160.100	School buses, transportation of general public to interscholastic activities
		28A.160.120	Agreements with other governmental entities for transportation of public or other noncommon school purposes--Limitations
		28A.335.060	Surplus school property, rental, lease or use of--Disposition of moneys received from
	WAC	180-20-106	School bus operation for extracurricular use

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