

**High School District 214** 

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## **TRANSPORTATION - Policy 4:110**

The District shall provide free transportation for one route for any student in the District in accordance with School code who resides: (1) at a distance of one and one-half miles or more from their assigned school, or (2) if adequate transportation is not available, within one and one-half miles from their assigned school where walking to or from school or to or from a pick- up point or bus stop would constitute a serious safety hazard due to either (a) vehicular traffic or rail crossing, and adequate public transportation is not available, or (b) a course or pattern of criminal activity, as defined in the III Streetgang Terrorism Omnibus Prevention Act, 740 ILCS 147/. The District may provide and charge a fee for transportation for other students residing within one and one-half miles from their assigned school. Free transportation service is provided for a special education student if included in the student's individualized educational program. The District may provide transportation to and from school-sponsored activities. District 214 will abide by School code and all applicable State and federal laws for student transportation. Homeless students shall be transported in accordance with Section 45/1-15 of the Education for Homeless Children Act. Foster care students shall be transported in accordance with Section Act.

Bus schedules and routes shall be determined by the district transportation department. No school employee may transport students in school or private vehicles unless authorized by the administration. Vehicles regularly used for the transportation of students must pass safety inspections in accordance with State law and Illinois Department of Transportation regulations. The strobe light on a school bus may be illuminated only when the bus is actually being used as a school bus and (1) is stopping or stopped for loading or discharging students on a highway outside an urban area, or (2) is bearing one or more students.

## Pre-Trip and Post-Trip Vehicle Inspection

The Superintendent or designee shall develop and implement a pre-trip and post-trip inspection procedure to ensure that the school bus driver: (1) tests the two-way radio or cellular radio telecommunication device and ensures that it is functioning properly before the bus is operated, and (2) walks to the rear of the bus before leaving the bus at the end of each route, work shift, or work day, to check the bus for children or other passengers in the bus.

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For more information, reference Board policy 4:110 - Transportation.

Bus schedules and routes shall be determined by the district transportation department. Hazard areas are determined and documented by the Illinois Department of Transportation. A parent/guardian has the option to pay for transportation if living within the one and one-half mile distance from school of attendance. The transportation fee for this option will be determined on an annual basis.

If eligible, bus transportation is provided to and from school from the student's permanent residence on record, regardless of free or paid ridership.						