

1 The [Transylvania County Board of Education \(the “board”\)](#) recognizes that emissions that
2 accumulate from school buses can be harmful to students and bus drivers. The board further
3 recognizes that unnecessary bus idling wastes fuel and financial resources. The board is
4 committed to transporting students on school buses in a manner that is safe and consistent with
5 the board’s goal of resource conservation. To this end, the board prohibits all unnecessary
6 school bus idling on school grounds. In addition, the board prohibits the warming up of buses
7 for longer than five minutes, except in extraordinary circumstances or circumstances beyond the
8 bus driver’s control.

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10 This policy applies to school buses and activity buses when these buses are used to transport
11 students to or from school, extracurricular activities, field trips, and other school-related
12 activities.

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14 The superintendent shall develop procedures consistent with this policy. The superintendent
15 shall ensure that school bus drivers and appropriate school personnel receive training to
16 implement this policy.

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18 Legal References: G.S. 115C-12(34)(b), -36, -47(50); State Board of Education Policy TCS-M-
19 003; *N.C. Public School Allotment Policy Manual*, State Allotment Formulas – Transportation of
20 Pupils, Program Report Code 056, available at
21 <http://www.ncpublicschools.org/fbs/allotments/general/>

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23 Cross References: Resource Conservation (policy 6530)

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