

1 Student transportation services will be made available in a manner consistent with the goals
2 adopted by the Transylvania County Board of Education (the “board”) and set out in policy
3 6300, Goals of Student Transportation Services. ~~The first priority is to provide transportation to~~
4 ~~and from school to eligible students.~~

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6 **A. OTHER SCHOOL SYSTEM TRANSPORTATION SERVICES**

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8 ~~The first priority of the school system transportation services is to provide eligible~~
9 ~~students transportation to and from school. The school system may make other~~
10 ~~transportation services may be made available as funding permits and in accordance with~~
11 ~~legal requirements, and board policy, and the following standards. In particular, the~~
12 ~~board establishes the following possible uses of other transportation services.~~

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14 1. ~~State-operated~~ **Yellow** school buses may be used for instructional programs
15 directly related to the curriculum when the trip and use of the bus are approved in
16 accordance with board policy.
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18 2. **Yellow** school buses may be used only for purposes expressly allowed by G.S.
19 115C-242.
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21 3. **Yellow** school buses may not be used for athletic activities or extracurricular
22 activities.
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24 4. Activity buses and other vehicles meeting federal safety standards may be used
25 for travel to athletic activities and travel to other approved school-related
26 activities. In addition to students receiving regular school bus safety training,
27 safety instruction will be provided to students traveling on activity buses or
28 commercial buses as needed.
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30 5. The board encourages the superintendent and principals to provide transportation
31 services to enable students at risk of not meeting promotion standards to take
32 advantage of additional or enhanced opportunities for learning.
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34 6. Private vehicles should not be used to transport students.

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36 **B. SPECIAL USE OF SCHOOL BUSES**

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38 The board may authorize special uses of **yellow** school buses as provided by G.S. 115C-
39 242 and 115C-243 ~~254 and of activity buses and yellow school buses as provided by G.S.~~
40 ~~115C-243 and 115C-247. The board also may authorize the special use of activity buses~~
41 ~~for the purposes described in G.S. 66-58(c)(9b).~~

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43 The superintendent shall present to the board any requests for special uses and the
44 statutory support for allowing such authorization.

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46 **C. TRANSPORTATION FOR ~~SPECIAL NEEDS~~ STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES**
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48 A student who is identified as having ~~special needs~~ a disability following procedures in
49 the North Carolina *Policies Governing Services for Children with Disabilities* will be
50 provided with transportation services as required by law. When the school system's
51 transportation services are unable to provide transportation for ~~special needs~~ a students
52 with a disability, the board may contract with public or private carriers to provide this
53 service, pursuant to policy 6340, Transportation Service/Vehicle Contracts.
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55 Legal References: Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C. 1400 *et seq.*; 49 U.S.C.
56 30125, 30165; G.S. 66-58(c)(9a) and (9b); 115C-239, -242, -243, -247, -254; ~~G.S. 66-58(c)(9a)~~
57 ~~and (9b)~~; *Policies Governing Services for Children with Disabilities*, State Board of Education
58 Policy ~~GCS-D-000~~ EXCP-000; State Board of Education policies ~~TCS-H-000~~ TRAN-000, -006;
59 Memorandum to All Superintendents from Eddie M. Speas, Jr., Special Deputy Attorney
60 General, January 14, 1988, available at [http://www.ncsba.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/03/AG-](http://www.ncsba.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/03/AG-Memo-1988.pdf)
61 [Memo-1988.pdf](http://www.ncsba.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/03/AG-Memo-1988.pdf)
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63 Cross References: School Trips (policy 3320), Goals of Student Transportation Services (policy
64 6300), Safety and Student Transportation Services (policy 6305), Transportation Service/Vehicle
65 Contracts (policy 6340)
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