

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.  
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5 **A. SCHOOL SYSTEM TRANSPORTATION SERVICES**  
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7 The first priority of the school system transportation services is to provide eligible  
8 students transportation to and from school. The school system may make other  
9 transportation services available as funding permits and in accordance with legal  
10 requirements, board policy, and the following standards.  
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- 12 1. Yellow school buses may be used for instructional programs directly related to the  
13 curriculum when the trip and use of the bus are approved in accordance with  
14 board policy.  
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- 16 2. Yellow school buses may be used only for purposes expressly allowed by G.S.  
17 115C-242.  
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- 19 3. Yellow school buses may not be used for athletic activities or extracurricular  
20 activities.  
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- 22 4. Activity buses and other vehicles meeting federal safety standards may be used  
23 for travel to athletic activities and travel to other approved school-related  
24 activities. In addition to students receiving regular school bus safety training,  
25 safety instruction will be provided to students traveling on activity buses or  
26 commercial buses.  
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- 28 5. The board encourages the superintendent and principals to provide transportation  
29 services to enable students at risk of not meeting promotion standards to take  
30 advantage of additional or enhanced opportunities for learning.  
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- 32 6. Private vehicles should not be used to transport students.  
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34 **B. SPECIAL USE OF SCHOOL BUSES**  
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36 The board may authorize special uses of yellow school buses as provided by G.S. 115C-  
37 242 and 115C-254 and of activity buses and yellow school buses as provided by G.S.  
38 115C-243 and 115C-247. The board also may authorize the special use of activity buses  
39 for the purposes described in G.S. 66-58(c)(9b).  
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41 The superintendent shall present to the board any requests for special uses and the  
42 statutory support for allowing such authorization.  
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44 **C. TRANSPORTATION FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES**

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46 A student who is identified as having a disability following procedures in the North  
47 Carolina *Policies Governing Services for Children with Disabilities* will be provided with  
48 transportation services as required by law. When the school system's transportation  
49 services are unable to provide transportation for a student with a disability, the board may  
50 contract with public or private carriers to provide this service, **in accordance with**  
51 **applicable laws and board policies** ~~pursuant to policy 6340, Transportation~~  
52 ~~Service/Vehicle Contracts.~~

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54 Legal References: Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C. 1400 *et seq.*; 49 U.S.C.  
55 30125, 30165; G.S. 66-58(c)(9a) and (9b); 115C-239, -242, -243, -247, -254; 16 N.C.A.C. 6B  
56 .0111; *Policies Governing Services for Children with Disabilities*, State Board of Education  
57 Policy EXCP-000; State Board of Education policy TRAN-000; Memorandum to All  
58 Superintendents from Eddie M. Speas, Jr., Special Deputy Attorney General, January 14, 1988,  
59 available at <http://www.ncsba.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/03/AG-Memo-1988.pdf>

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61 Cross References: School Trips (policy 3320), Goals of Student Transportation Services (policy  
62 6300), Safety and Student Transportation Services (policy 6305), Transportation Service/Vehicle  
63 Contracts (policy 6340), **Purchase of Services (policy 6450)**

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