

1 The Transylvania County Board of Education (the “board”) may enter into contracts with public
2 or private carriers in accordance with G.S. 115C-253, State Board of Education policy, any other
3 applicable law, and this policy. Any contracts also must comply with policy 6450, Purchase of
4 Services.
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6 The superintendent or designee shall develop safety standards for contracted commercial bus
7 transportation services used to transport students to school-related activities. The standards must
8 comply with the requirements established by the State Board. The superintendent or designee
9 shall develop a list of companies or individuals that meet these standards and are approved to
10 provide student transportation services. If appropriate, the superintendent shall recommend that
11 the board enter into interlocal cooperation agreements to assist in developing the standards and
12 list of approved entities required under this paragraph. **The superintendent shall ensure that the
13 school system contracts for commercial bus transportation services for school-related activities
14 only with entities on the approved list.**
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16 ~~The superintendent shall ensure that the school system contracts for student transportation
17 services only with companies or individuals who are on the approved list.~~
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19 The board may purchase or lease student transportation vehicles in accordance with law and
20 board policy, including policy 6430, Purchasing Requirements for Equipment, Materials, and
21 Supplies, and policy 6425, Continuing Contracts. Any such vehicle must meet federal safety
22 standards and state requirements.
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24 All titles will be issued to the board of education. Sufficient liability coverage must be
25 maintained in accordance with policy 8340, Insurance.
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27 The board will consider requests for providing transportation services to a charter school. Such
28 consideration will take into account any factors required by law.
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30 Legal References: 49 U.S.C. 30125, 30165; G.S. 115C-42, -47(25), -239, -240, -247, -249, -
31 249.1, -253, -255; *North Carolina School Transportation Fleet Manual*, State Board of
32 Education Policy TRAN-005; State Board of Education Policies TRAN-009, -010, -011; *School
33 Charter Transportation Recommended Guidelines and Procedures*, available at
34 <http://www.ncbussafety.org/motorcoach/index.html>
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36 Cross References: Continuing Contracts (policy 6425), Purchasing Requirements for Equipment,
37 Materials, and Supplies (policy 6430), Purchase of Services (policy 6450), Insurance (policy
38 8340)
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