

**BUS SAFETY PROGRAM**

**FILE: EEAE**

**TITLE:** School Bus Emergency Evacuation Drills

**POLICY:**

Each school principal or designee shall conduct school bus emergency evacuation drills on each bus serving the school during the first six (6) weeks of each semester, and maintain documentations for all students

- (1) The principal or designee shall inform Transportation Services by written notice as to the day on which any practice emergency evacuation drill has been conducted. The bus operator shall hold the drill as directed and report in writing to the principal the results of the drill.
- (2) A practice emergency evacuation drill shall be held at a point at which the least possible danger will exist from traffic.
- (3) Rear door procedures shall not be practiced; rather they should be discussed with students in the emergency evacuation drill.

**LAWS IMPLEMENTED:** Sections 1006.21; 1012.28; 1001.54, Florida Statutes

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION RULE:** 6A-3.017

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**TITLE:** Instruction in School Bus Safety Practices

**POLICY:**

Each school principal or designee shall provide for instruction for all transported students in safe practices to board and depart from a school bus. Initial instruction shall be given during the first six (6) weeks of the school year. The principal or designee shall determine the most effective and practical manner in which to provide such instruction.

**LAWS IMPLEMENTED:** Sections 1006.21; 1012.28; 1001.54, Florida Statutes

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**TITLE:** Accidents and Traffic Violations

**POLICY:**

All employees who drive a district-owned/leased vehicle in the performance of their duties are subject to all the provisions of the Safe Driver Plan. The effective date of the Safe Drive Plan is August 1, 1995.

- (1) Any driver who receives a citation and who is found innocent of charges by the appropriate judicial body shall not be charged with the citation for employment purposes.
- (2) A citation shall not be charged against the employee for employment purposes when malfunctioning district-owned equipment is the cause of an accident or violation.

**LAWS IMPLEMENTED:**

Sections 1001.41; 1012.23, Florida Statutes

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**TITLE:** Equipment on School Buses

**POLICY:**

Only authorized equipment shall be transported or used on a school bus. Large articles may be transported only if space is available.

- (1) Luggage, band instruments, ice chests or any package of material shall not be piled or placed in the aisle or the entrance of the bus.
- (2) Large boxes, packages or music instruments shall be secured in such a way that a sudden stop would not cause the package to move and possibly cause injury to a passenger.

**LAWS IMPLEMENTED:**

Sections 1006.21; 1006.22, Florida Statutes

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