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USE OF SCHOOL-OWNED VEHICLES

Only designated employees are authorized to use school-owned vehicles in accordance with the following regulations. School-owned vehicles are defined as any motorized piece of equipment including, but not limited to, buses, trucks, gators, golf carts, etc.

Authorized Vehicles and Users

The Superintendent/designee:

- 1. authorizes which employees have the use of school-owned vehicles;
- 2. keeps a record of their drivers' license numbers;
- 3. checks all drivers' driving records annually and
- 4. keeps a list of vehicles and appropriate insurance coverages.

Authorized Uses

- 1. Unless specific permission is granted by the Superintendent, use of school-owned vehicles is restricted to District business only.
- 2. All cargo must be related to the performance of District business.
- 3. The cost of gasoline and oil is reimbursed only upon submitting the proper receipts.

Unauthorized Uses

Drivers are prohibited from:

- 1. operating vehicles while under the influences of drugs and/or alcohol;
- 2. transporting non-school passengers, including hitchhikers and
- 3. operating vehicles while talking/texting on a mobile device.

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Record Keeping

Drivers are required to keep and maintain accurate records when using vehicles for personal use. Personal use of school-owned vehicles must be reported as a taxable benefit in accordance with Internal Revenue Service regulations.

Vehicle Care and Maintenance

- 1. School-owned vehicles must be maintained and operated in a safe and efficient manner.
- 2. Drivers must report any defect or damage as soon as one is identified or sustained.
- 3. Drivers are responsible for the interior cleanliness of vehicles used.

Observance of All Laws, Policies and Regulations

Drivers must:

- 1. comply with all applicable Federal, State, local and Board laws, regulations and policies;
- 2. wear seat belts;
- 3. be personally liable for all traffic and parking violations and supply proof of payment;
- 4. maintain a valid drivers' license and insurance;
- 5. immediately notify the Superintendent/designee if their driving privileges change in any way, e.g., license suspension or revocation and
- 6. immediately report any accident or related injury to the proper governmental authority and the Superintendent/designee.

Violators are subject to disciplinary action up to and including termination.

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