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<p>Policy Title:</p> <p>Transportation - Bus Driver Requirements and Responsibilities</p>	<p>Effective Date:</p> <p>November 11, 2003</p>
<p>All school buses shall at all times be operated in conformity with law and with rules of the Idaho State Police and the Idaho State Board of Education. School Bus Drivers shall observe all state statutes and administrative rules governing traffic safety and school bus operation.</p> <p>School Bus Driver shall mean any person who at any time is operating a school bus while transporting pupils to or from school or to or from approved school activities, whether a district bus driver, or a school bus driver employed by a commercial contractor or another district.</p> <p>Each bus driver shall meet the qualifications established by the Idaho State Department of Education and the district, including, but not limited to, the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be over the age of 18 years of age; • Be of good moral character; • Not be addicted to the use of intoxicants or narcotics and pass random, voluntary drug tests; • Pass the minimum training requirements for bus drivers as prescribed by the state board of education and continue mandatory training; • Have a driving record free of convictions for traffic related charges and/or felonies; • Be medically qualified under the physical examination standards of the federal motor carrier safety regulations and be physically able to perform all job-related duties; • Possess, and carry at all times, a valid and appropriate commercial driver’s license and other endorsements required by law; • Possess, and carry at all times, a school bus driver’s permit issued by the State Board of Education. <p>The school bus driver is in full charge of all persons riding on the bus and has the same status and authority as a teacher insofar as discipline is concerned. The driver shall report any pupil whose behavior is such as may endanger the operation of the vehicle, or who damages the same or any part thereof, or whose language is obscene.</p> <p>It shall be the duty of each school bus driver to report any condition on, or bordering, his route which constitutes a hazard to the safety of the pupils being transported.</p> <p>Each school bus driver shall maintain such route books and other records as may be required by the State Department of Education or by the district.</p> <p>The board of trustees may for cause, and after a hearing, revoke any school bus driver’s permit or waiver for insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus.</p> <p>Legal Reference: Idaho Code 33-1508 and 33-1509 Reference: Policy 8634, “Bus Ridership Rules and Regulations” Policy 8783, “Transportation - Safety Busing” Policy 8786, “Transportation - Scheduling and Routing” Bus Driver Job Description and Evaluation</p>	
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