

2020 Kansas Statutes

72-6498. School bus use for purposes other than student transportation; policy for provision authorized. (a) Any board of education, pursuant to a policy developed and adopted by it, may provide for the use of district-owned or leased school buses when such buses are not being used for regularly required school purposes. The policy may provide for:

(1) (A) Transporting parents and other adults to or from school-related functions or activities; (B) transporting students to or from functions or activities sponsored by organizations, the membership of which is principally composed of children of school age; and (C) transporting persons engaged in field trips in connection with their participation in an adult education program maintained by the transporting school district or by any other school district, within or outside the boundaries of the transporting school district; and

(2) contracting with: (A) The governing body of any township, city or county for transportation of individuals, groups or organizations; (B) the governing authority of any nonpublic school for transportation of students attending such nonpublic school to or from interschool or intraschool functions or activities; (C) the board of trustees of any community college for transportation of students enrolled in such community college to or from attendance at class at the community college or to and from functions or activities of the community college; (D) a public recreation commission established and operated under the laws of this state, for any purposes related to the operation of the recreation commission and all programs and services thereof; (E) the board of education of any other school district for transportation, on a cooperative and shared-cost basis, of students, school personnel, parents and other adults to or from school-related functions or activities; or (F) a four-year college or university, area vocational school or area vocational-technical school for transportation of students to or from attendance at class at the four-year college or university, area vocational school or area vocational-technical school or for transportation of students, alumni and other members of the public to or from functions or activities of the four-year college or university, area vocational school or area vocational-technical school.

(b) The costs related to the use of school buses under the authority of this section shall not be considered in determining the transportation weighting of a school district under the Kansas school equity and enhancement act, K.S.A. 72-5131 et seq., and amendments thereto.

(c) Transportation fees may be charged by the board to offset, totally or in part, the costs incurred for the use of school buses under authority of this section.

(d) Any revenues received by a board of education as transportation fees or under any contract entered into pursuant to this section shall be deposited in the general fund of the school district and shall be considered reimbursements to the school district for the purpose of the Kansas school equity and enhancement act, K.S.A. 72-5131 et seq., and amendments thereto. Such revenues may be expended whether the same have been budgeted or not.

(e) The provisions of K.S.A. 8-1556(c), and amendments thereto, apply to the use of school buses under authority of this section.

History: L. 1984, ch. 270, § 2; L. 1993, ch. 264, § 6; L. 1995, ch. 237, § 1; L. 1997, ch. 133, § 1; L. 2003, ch. 116, § 13; L. 2015, ch. 4, § 60; L. 2017, ch. 95, § 87; July 1.