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The Board of Education recognizes that safe and secure conditions for all pupils transported in school owned or contracted school vehicles is paramount. Pupils transported in a school owned or contracted school vehicle must maintain proper discipline in the vehicle at all times.

To maintain the safe and secure conditions for all pupils transported on school owned or contracted school vehicles, the Board may use devices to monitor and/or observe student behavior, teacher and support staff behavior, school bus driver discipline procedures and/or school bus driver driving techniques. **Staff and students are prohibited from tampering with or otherwise interfering with recording equipment. Any individual found tampering with equipment shall be subject to discipline.** Each school vehicle will have a sign clearly posted in the school vehicle stating that:

“Video Monitoring Devices Are Used On School Owned And Contracted Vehicles And This Vehicle May Be Monitored At Any Time.”

Notice of this policy will be provided to parent(s) or legal guardian(s) and all transportation personnel each year in staff, pupil and/or parent handbooks.

The content produced by the surveillance system, under certain circumstances, may be considered a student record, in which it will be subject to applicable laws as well as the Board of Education policy and regulations regarding confidential student records. Use of the video by school district personnel will be permissible as evidence in disciplinary hearings and the district declares such use to be a legitimate educational interest.

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