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RESPONSIBILITIES OF SCHOOL BUS OPERATORS

POLICY:

- (1) school bus operators shall be responsible for adhering to the requirements of federal laws and regulations, Florida Statutes, State Board of Education rules, driving regulations, School Board policies, District safe driver plan and the adopted District job description.
- (2) Responsibilities shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
 - (a) To maintain an appropriate Florida driver's license.
 - (b) To refrain from driving with an expired, suspended or revoked license.
 - (c) To complete annual school bus operator training.
 - (d) To participate in the substance abuse testing and alcohol detection program required by 49 CFR 382 and 49 CFR 391.
 - (e) To refrain from using a cellular telephone or other wireless communication device while actively driving a bus.
 - (f) To maintain order and discipline on the bus.
 - (g) To instruct students, teachers, and chaperones who are being transported on field and activity trips regarding the locations and proper use of school bus emergency exits prior to each trip.
 - (h) To perform a complete interior inspection of the bus after each run and trip to ensure that no students remain on the bus.
 - (i) To ensure that no one is on the bus while refueling.
 - (j) To avoid unnecessary idling of the bus while in the vicinity of students.

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- (k) To perform other incidental tasks as determined by the immediate supervisor, to be consistent with the goals and objectives of the position
- (3) Failure to fulfill the responsibilities of a school bus operator may result in disciplinary action up to and including dismissal.

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