VIDEO CAMERAS ON SCHOOL BUSES

Descriptor Code: ACDBA

After having carefully weighed and balanced the rights of privacy with the District's duty to ensure discipline, health, welfare and safety of staff and students on school transportation vehicles, the Board supports the use of video cameras on its transportation vehicles. Video surveillance shall be used only to promote the order, safety, and security of students, staff, and property.

Monitoring

Video cameras may be used to monitor student behavior on school vehicles transporting students to and from school, extracurricular activities, field trips, or any other school sponsored transportation. Such equipment may also be used to monitor the performance of district employees in the fulfillment of their duties on school transportation vehicles while transporting students.

Conduct Violations

Students in violation of bus conduct rules shall be subject to disciplinary action in accordance with established board policy and regulations governing student conduct and discipline. Staff shall be subject to established board personnel policies, administrative regulations, and negotiated agreements including provisions related to evaluation, discipline, and dismissal.

Privacy

The District shall notify its students, parents, and staff that video surveillance may occur on any school transportation vehicle.

The District shall comply with all applicable state and federal laws and applicable policies related to video recordings and record dissemination. The District shall comply with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act when such recordings are considered for retention as part of the student's behavioral record as determined by the District and in accordance with law.

Access to Videos

The use of video surveillance equipment on transportation vehicles shall be supervised by the Superintendent and contracted transportation Route Manager.

The Superintendent is directed to develop regulations governing the use of video cameras in accordance with the provisions of law and established board policies and regulations.

End of Dickinson Public Schools Policy ACDBA