



## **SAGE Academy**

### **Policy # 710: Transportation**

#### **No Contradictions:**

Nothing in this transportation policy is intended to conflict nor shall be construed to contradict State or Federal Laws that outline transportation policies for Charter Schools. Should governing laws change, this policy shall defer to those laws where Applicable.

#### **Duties and election to provide transportation**

The board has a duty under Minnesota Statute 124E.15 to provide to and from transportation to school in accordance with 123B.88 subd 1. Pursuant to those laws, and because SAGE is located within Osseo District 279, SAGE will provide transportation to all District 279 students by one of the following means, Either: Allowing Osseo School District 279 to provide transportation services for its students, or; providing transportation for its students who live within the district Boundary.

#### **Contract Services**

SAGE may elect to contract with a suitable vendor to provide school bussing services in accordance with 123B.52.

#### **Establishment of routes:**

SAGE, in conjunction with its transportation provider, shall establish safe, convenient, and economical routes within the school district. SAGE may, at its discretion, provide transportation outside the district by these means if it deems necessary and appropriate.

#### **District 279 Students not near a route:**

Those students who are in district 279 who are not located near an established route may be provided transportation to SAGE by alternative means, including but not limited to type III school bus transportation, reimbursement for transportation, or other reasonable means as deemed appropriate by SAGE.

**Pupils out of the district:**

For pupils who reside outside the district in which the charter school is located, the charter school is not required to provide or pay for transportation between the pupil's residence and the border of the district in which the charter school is located. A parent may be reimbursed by the charter school for costs of transportation from the pupil's residence to the border of the district in which the charter school is located if the pupil is from a family whose income is at or below the poverty level, as determined by the federal government. The reimbursement may not exceed the pupil's actual cost of transportation or 15 cents per mile traveled, whichever is less. Reimbursement may not be paid for more than 250 miles per week.

**Notify Students at time of Enrollment**

At the time a pupil enrolls in a charter school, the charter school must provide the parent or guardian with information regarding the transportation.

(d) If a charter school does not elect to provide transportation, transportation for pupils enrolled at the school must be provided by the district in which the school is located, according to sections 123B.88, subdivision 6, and 124D.03, subdivision 8, for a pupil residing in the same district in which the charter school is located. Transportation may be provided by the district in which the school is located, according to sections 123B.88, subdivision 6, and 124D.03, subdivision 8, for a pupil residing in a different district. If the district provides the transportation, the scheduling of routes, manner and method of transportation, control and discipline of the pupils, and any other matter relating to the transportation of pupils under this paragraph shall be within the sole discretion, control, and management of the district.