Business/Non-Instructional Operations

Transportation: Student Bus Assignments

All school buses have a definite approved seating and standing capacity which cannot be exceeded legally. Since these buses are scheduled to make best use of the stated capacity, it will be the policy of the Hamden School District that all students who are transported ride to and from school only on buses to which they are assigned. Exceptions will be made only when necessary to implement the educational program of the student. These exceptions must be approved by the school Principal, who will insure that the bus assignment will not be changed for purposes such as overnight visits, birthday parties, pajama parties, scout meetings, etc.

Bus drivers will be instructed to refuse transportation to any student who is not a regular passenger unless the student presents written and signed prior approval from the school Principal.

In certain cases, where the parent requests a permanent assignment to two different buses for arriving at and leaving school, such requests will be honored to the extent that space is available on the second, afternoon run on a permanent basis and only after students riding both ways on the same buses have all been accommodated. In no cases, however, will a student be transported from school to an area outside that usually served by the school which the student attends.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

10-220 Duties of boards of education

Policy adopted: