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Business Operations

**SUBJECT: PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF SCHOOL BOARD RULE: INITIAL
READING 6Gx13- 3E-1.10, TRANSPORTATION – SPECIFIC
PROCEDURES**

COMMITTEE: INNOVATION, EFFICIENCY & GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

This item is submitted for consideration by the School Board to amend School Board Rule 6Gx13- 3E-1.10, Transportation - Specific Procedures, and the document, the School Bus Transportation Rules and Policies Manual, which is incorporated by reference and made part of this rule. The document is used as a reference guide to specify operational procedures related to issues such as school bus route development, student eligibility and field trips.

The manual currently provides for an alternate afternoon drop off location for special needs students within prescribed guidelines. The proposed change will permit certain non-disabled students to similarly be permitted an alternate drop off location in the afternoon providing the change does not entail a change in route nor bus assignment of the student; the change transports the student to a program or activity approved by the School Board; the change *does not* increase the mileage for the run by more than .75 mile, the riding time for other students assigned to the bus by more than eight minutes, or the total time for the run in excess of 50 minutes. The routing change is cost-neutral to the district.

Attached are the Notice of Intended Action, the rule proposed for amendment, and the School Bus Transportation Rules and Policies Manual. Changes from the current rule are indicated by underscoring words to be added and ~~striking through~~ words to be deleted.

Authorization of the Board is requested for the Superintendent to initiate rulemaking proceedings in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act for the amendment of School Board rule 6Gx13- 3E-1.10, Transportation – Specific Procedures.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County Florida, authorize the Superintendent to initiate rulemaking proceedings in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act to amend School Board Rule 6Gx13- 3E-1.10, Transportation – Specific Procedures, and the document, the School Bus Transportation Rules and Policies Manual, which is incorporated by reference and made part of this rule.

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NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, announced on September 7, 2005, its intention to amend School Board Rule 6Gx13- 3E-1.10, Transportation—Specific Procedures, at its meeting of October 19, 2005.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To allow regular (non-special needs) students to be transported to a different bus stop after school as compared to the morning drop-off location if the change in bus stop meets the criteria set forth in the Transportation Rules and Policies Manual.

SUMMARY: The requested change in this Board Rule would allow students who are not enrolled in the school district's ESE programs to also benefit from these provisions if the different afternoon bus stop also meets the requirements set forth in the Manual.

SPECIFIC LEGAL AUTHORITY UNDER WHICH RULEMAKING IS AUTHORIZED: 1001.41(1)(2); 1001.42(22); 1001.43(10) F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED, INTERPRETED, OR MADE SPECIFIC: 1001.43; 1006.21 F.S.; 6A-3.017(1)(d) FAC.

IF REQUESTED A HEARING WILL BE HELD DURING THE BOARD MEETING of October 19, 2005, which begins at 1:00 p.m., in the School Board Auditorium, 1450 N.E. Second Avenue, Miami, Florida 33132. Persons requesting such a hearing or who wish to provide information regarding the statement of estimated costs, or to provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative as provided by Section 120.541 (1) F.S., must do in writing by October 3, 2005 to the Superintendent of Schools, Room 912, at the same address.

ANY PERSON WHO DECIDES TO APPEAL THE DECISION made by the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida with respect to this action will need to ensure the preparation of a verbatim record of the proceedings, including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. (Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes)

A COPY OF THE PROPOSED NEW RULE is available to the public for inspection and copying at cost in the Citizen Information Center, Room 158, 1450 N.E. Second Avenue, Miami, Florida 33132.

Originator: Ms. Ofelia San Pedro
Date: October 5, 2005

Non-instructional Operations**TRANSPORTATION—SPECIFIC PROCEDURES**

The specific procedures to be followed by all parties concerned are outlined in the documents entitled **Miami-Dade County Public Schools, Department of Transportation, School Bus Transportation Rules and Policies Manual and Handbook for School Bus Drivers, Aides and Operations Staff**, which are incorporated by reference in this rule and are a part hereof. Copies of these documents are on file in the Office of Board Recording Secretary, the Citizen Information Center, and the Office of the School Board Clerk.

Specific Authority: ~~230.22(2); 230.23(22)~~ 1001.41(1)(2); 1001.42(22); 1001.43(10) F.S.

Law Implemented, Interpreted, or Made Specific: ~~230.23005(9); 234.04~~ 1001.43; 1006.21 F.S.; 6A-3.017(1)(d) FAC

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