

Hortonville Area School District

Title: Cellular Telephones in
School Buses

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Policy Statement:

The Hortonville Area School District recognizes that communications with all school buses are important to the safe and healthy operation of the transportation program.

Rationale:

The District has a large geographic area with areas that are not heavily populated.

Scope: District-Wide Transportation Program

Responsibility: Director of Transportation

Implementation:

1. Telephones will be issued for use in all school buses and school vans used to transport students.
2. Cell phones are issued to provide a means of emergency communication for the bus drivers. Because of the inherent safety risk involved in operating a vehicle and talking on a cell phone, drivers are prohibited from talking on their cell phones while driving a bus. If a driver needs to use the cell phone, he/she should pull over to a safe position out of traffic so their driving attention is not distracted.
3. Final decision for a need for a cellular phone will be at the discretion of the Director of Transportation.
4. Personal use of a HASD cell phone is discouraged. All costs for unauthorized personal use will be reimbursed to the District within thirty (30) days of the billing date.

Associated Information: Wisconsin State Statute 300.79
Transportation Manual

President _____ Date _____

Clerk _____ Date _____