

SCHOOL BUS IDLING

Applicability:

This policy applies to the operation of every district-owned school bus.

Rationale

Diesel exhaust from idling school buses can accumulate in and around the bus and pose a health risk to children, drivers and the community at large. Exposure to diesel exhaust can cause lung damage and respiratory problems. Diesel exhaust also exacerbates asthma and existing allergies, and long-term exposure is thought to increase the risk of lung cancer. Idling buses also waste fuel and resources.

Purpose

Eliminate all unnecessary idling by district school buses such that idling time is minimized in all aspects of school bus operation.