## **IDLING OF BUSES**

The Board of Education recognizes the importance of protecting the health and safety of students and adults from harmful emissions found in bus or vehicle exhaust. In accordance with Education Law and Commissioner's Regulations, the District will minimize, to the extent practicable, the idling of all school owned buses and vehicles when students are loading or unloading at all schools within the District or any school or other location to which students are transported. The only exception is for necessary mechanical work, to maintain an appropriate temperature for passenger comfort, and emergency evacuations requiring the operation of the wheelchair lift.

The District will ensure that each driver of a school bus or vehicle turns off the engine while waiting for passengers to load or off load or which such vehicle is parked in front of or adjacent to any school.

Further, the administration will strive to establish a practice requiring prompt loading and unloading of buses.

This policy will be provided to all employees upon hiring and posted on the District's website.

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