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§ 39.706 Are peripheral dormitories eligible for day transportation funds?

Yes. If the peripheral dormitory is required to transport dormitory students to the public school, the dormitory may count those miles driven transporting students to the public school for day transportation funding.

§ 39.707 Which student transportation expenses are currently not eligible for Student Transportation Funding?

(a) The following transportation expenses are currently not eligible for transportation funding, however the data will be collected under the provisions in this subpart:

1. Fuel and maintenance runs;
2. Transportation home for medical or other emergencies;
3. Transportation from school to treatment or special services programs;
4. Transportation to after-school programs; and
5. Transportation for day and boarding school students to attend instructional programs less than full-time at locations other than the school reporting the mileage.

(b) Examples of after-school programs covered by paragraph (a)(4) of this section include:

1. Athletics;
2. Band;
3. Detention;
4. Tutoring, study hall and special classes; and
5. Extra-curricular activities such as arts and crafts.

§ 39.708 Are miles generated by non-ISEP eligible students eligible for transportation funding?

No. Only miles generated by ISEP-eligible students enrolled in and attending a school are eligible for student transportation funding.

Calculating Transportation Miles

§ 39.710 How does a school calculate annual bus transportation miles for day students?

To calculate the total annual bus transportation miles for day students, a school must use the appropriate formula from this section. In the formulas, Tu = Miles driven on Tuesday of the transportation mileage count week, W = Miles driven on Wednesday of the transportation mileage count week, and Th = Miles driven on Thursday of the transportation mileage count week.

(a) For ISEP-eligible day students whose route is entirely over improved roads, calculate miles using the following formula:

\[
\frac{Tu + W + Th}{3} \times 180
\]

(b) For ISEP-eligible day students whose route is partly over unimproved roads, calculate miles using the following three steps.

1. Step 1. Apply the following formula to miles driven over improved roads only:

\[
\frac{Tu + W + Th}{3} \times 180
\]

2. Step 2. Apply the following formula to miles driven over unimproved roads only:

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\frac{Tu + W + Th}{3} \times 1.2 \times 180
\]

3. Step 3. Add together the sums from steps 1 and 2 to obtain the total annual transportation miles.

§ 39.711 How does a school calculate annual bus transportation miles for residential students?

To calculate the total annual transportation miles for residential students, a school must use the procedures in paragraph (b) of this section.

(a) The school can receive funds for the following trips:

1. Transportation to the school at the start of the school year;
2. Round trip home at Christmas; and