
Beehive Science and Technology Academy: Student Transportation Policy

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1. Purpose and Scope

Beehive Science and Technology Academy ("the Academy") is committed to ensuring that all students have safe and equitable access to our educational facilities. As a public charter school, the Academy does not operate a traditional school bus fleet for daily home-to-school transit. This policy outlines the alternative methods provided to ensure transportation is not a barrier to enrollment.

2. Daily Commute Options

The Academy supports three primary modes of student arrival and departure to accommodate our diverse student body:

- **Safe Walking Routes:** In accordance with state safety standards, the Academy has developed and maintains a **Safe Route Plan**. This plan identifies the most secure paths for students walking or biking to school, highlighting crosswalks, signalized intersections, and areas with crossing guards where applicable.
- **Facilitated Carpooling:** To assist families who live in similar geographic areas, the Academy employs a **Dedicated Transportation Coordinator**. This staff member serves as a liaison to:
 - Connect interested parents with potential carpool partners.
 - Maintain a secure database of families seeking shared transit.
 - Provide resources on carpool safety and best practices.
- **Public Transportation Support:** For students who choose or need to utilize regional transit, the Academy provides **public transportation passes** to the student. This ensures that students residing outside of walking distance have a reliable, subsidized method of reaching the campus.

3. Extracurricular and Field Trip Transportation

For school-sponsored events, athletic competitions, and educational field trips, the Academy ensures professional transit:

- **Third-Party Providers:** The Academy contracts with licensed, insured, and vetted third-party bus providers.
- **Safety Compliance:** All external providers must meet federal and state safety regulations for student transport.

4. Equitable Access

The Academy is dedicated to the "Assurances of Equitable Access." If a student's socio-economic status or disability creates a unique transportation barrier that prevents them from attending the Academy, the administration will work individually with the family to identify additional reasonable accommodations or resources.

5. Policy Administration

The School Director and the Operations Manager are responsible for the review of the Safe Route Plan and the ongoing management of the carpool and transit pass programs.