



## *San Benito Consolidated Independent School District*

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### **Transportation Department**

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## **MEMORANDUM**

Date: Friday, May 30, 2014

To: All Campus Principals

Fr: Rolando Monsevalles  
Director of Transportation

Re: **Transportation of Equipment**

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Consequent to our discussion regarding the transportation of equipment (ice chests, band instruments, etc.) at your *Principals and Directors Meeting of May 28, 2014*, a request was received for the dissemination of the same in written form. Please accept the following:

The San Benito CISD Transportation Department is a PUPIL Transportation system. As such, we are charged with the safe and efficient transportation of students from home to school and back again. All other requests for transportation services are considered and approved or denied by the LEA. At all times, the system is governed by statute and policy of the Federal Government, the State of Texas and the Texas Education Agency and policed by the Texas Department of Public Safety, through the auspices of the local Regional Service Center (Region One – Edinburg). **NO LOCAL REGULATIONS or POLICIES** may supplant matters of statute or state administrative policy.

As a matter of policy, our system is prohibited from transporting any items that might hinder, block or obstruct passage ways or aisle ways which allow for the efficient and unobstructed evacuation of students in the event of or the need for an emergency evacuation of the bus. As such passengers **MAY NOT** carry or load **ANY** items that are larger than that which can be held in their lap, within a backpack (on their person) or that may be safely and completely stored under the bus seat. Reference to this may be found in “Safety Rules for School Bus Riders” in both English and Spanish, on-line on our website or in print (on request).

Please direct your Faculty and Staff not to compromise our driving staff with requests that will violate these regulations.

Thank You for your **Attention to** and **Compliance with** this matter which has been designed in the interest of well-being and safety concerns of our district’s students.

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