

160-5-3-.02 CONTRACTED TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

(1) DEFINITIONS.

(a) **Local Board of Education** – a county or independent board of education exercising control and management of a local school system pursuant to Article VIII, Section V, Paragraph II of the Georgia Constitution.

(b) **Public School** – any school or special entity as defined in State Board Rule 160-5-1-.03 Identification and Reporting of Schools.

(2) REQUIREMENTS.

(a) Local boards of education shall ensure that drivers of all school buses contracted for the purpose of transporting students meet the same requirements as drivers of public school busses.

(b) No public school shall enter into an agreement with a motor carrier or contract carrier for the purpose of transporting students without first verifying that such carrier is certified by the Public Service Commission as required by Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 46, of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration or any other similarly required certifying agency.

(c) A public school contracting for transportation services must receive a copy of the carrier's proof of legally required minimum insurance coverage and a valid certification number demonstrating that the carrier is currently certified by the commission, the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, or any other similarly required certifying agency before the carrier may transport students.

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