# **POLICY 2228**

## <u>Transportation: Unauthorized Persons on Buses</u>

#### A. Authorized Persons on School Buses

1. The only persons authorized to board a school bus operated by the District are students, persons employed by the District, or persons volunteering as participants in school activities. Please see <a href="Policy 4140 School Volunteers/Resource Persons">Policy 4140 School Volunteers/Resource Persons</a> for volunteer background check requirements.

<u>Utah Code § 76-9-107(4) (2025)</u>

### B. Unauthorized Entry on School Bus

- 1. Unauthorized entry of a school bus occurs in any of the following circumstances:
  - a. An individual enters a school bus with the intent to commit a criminal offense.
  - b. An individual enters a school bus and disrupts or interferes with the driver.
  - c. An individual, other than
    - 1) a peace officer acting within the scope of his or her authority, or
    - 2) an authorized person (see above), enters a school bus and refuses to leave the school bus after being ordered to do so by the driver, and either
      - a) causes or attempts to cause a disruption or an annoyance to any passenger on the school bus, or
      - b) is reckless as to whether the person's presence or behavior will cause fear to a passenger on the school bus.

<u>Utah Code § 76-9-107(2) (2025)</u>

#### C. Posting of Warning

1. Each school bus shall have a clearly legible sign placed on the school bus and by each entrance to the school bus which warns that unauthorized entry of a school bus is a violation of state law.

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<u>Utah Code § 76-9-107(5) (2025)</u>