

## CAMERON SCHOOL DISTRICT

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### MONITORING STUDENT BEHAVIOR ON BUSES

The School District of Cameron authorizes the use of digital video cameras on school buses for the primary purpose of increasing safety for students as well as reducing disciplinary problems and vandalism on the buses.

Parents will be notified annually via the District's newsletter that digital video cameras are being used on the buses.

All video will be retained by and stored at the office of the school district's Transportation Director.

Access to and use of video from buses shall be limited as follows:

1. Only the District's Transportation Director, principals, and the District Administrator shall be authorized to view the video for the purpose of documenting a problem and determining which student(s) may be involved. Disciplinary action may be taken with students based on a video documentation.

A student, being disciplined based on the viewing of a video, and/or his/her parent(s)/guardian(s) may view an isolated segment of the video that documents the incident for which the student is being disciplined. The Transportation Director and/or building principal shall view the video with the student and/or parent(s)/guardian(s) and document the date and the names of all individuals viewing the video.

2. The video shall not be available for viewing by the public in general, employees in general, media, or other individuals. The principal(s) or District Administrator may authorize other individuals, such as the Director of Pupil Services, guidance counselors, school psychologists, or social workers, to view segments of a specific video, if:
  - a. Such individuals are working with the student on the video because of a behavior, emotional, or learning problem; and
  - b. Viewing the video is beneficial to their role in assisting the student.

3. The District Administrator may authorize turning video evidence over to police or other appropriate authorities in the case of a crime having been committed.
4. A log shall be kept of the date and names of the individuals viewing the video.
5. Tapes shall normally be retained for a period of up to one year, unless extenuating circumstances would warrant an exception.