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**RECERTIFICATION OF HAZARDOUS BUS ROUTES**

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**Background:**

According to the Illinois School Code (105 ILCS 5/29-3), a School Board may provide free transportation for any pupil residing within one and one-half miles from school where conditions are such that walking constitutes a serious hazard to pupils due to vehicular traffic. The determination as to what constitutes a serious safety hazard must be made by the School Board on an annual basis, in accordance with guidelines promulgated by the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) in consultation with the Illinois State Board of Education.

Since the District's boundaries have remained unchanged, there have not been any changes to last year's hazardous bus routes. The District's Hazardous Route Map is attached to the Board packet for review. Essentially, students cannot cross North Avenue, Fair Oaks Road, or Morton Road and will be transported at the District's cost, even if they reside within one and one-half miles of school. Following Board approval, the administration will submit the application to IDOT for review.

**Recommendation:**

The administration recommends that the Board approve the annual submission of safety hazards as presented.

Respectfully submitted,

*J. Fila*