## **Cottonwood School District No. 242**

## NONINSTRUCTIONAL OPERATIONS

## **Emergencies Involving Transportation Vehicles**

In the event of an accident or other emergency, the bus driver shall follow the emergency procedures developed by the Superintendent. A copy of the emergency procedures shall be located in each bus. To ensure the success of such emergency procedures, each bus driver shall conduct an emergency evacuation drill within the first six weeks of each school semester. One evacuation drill is conducted in the Fall semester and Spring semester. The District shall conduct such other drills and procedures as may be necessary.

To allow evacuation in the event of an emergency, items belonging to those riding the bus must be safely stowed and secured away from any aisle or emergency exit. To ensure that aisles and emergency exits are kept clear at all times, the Superintendent may issue rules limiting the size or number of items riders may bring with them on the bus.

Reference: Federal Highway Safety Guideline 17

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