

AUDIO AND VIDEO SURVEILLANCE ON SCHOOL BUSES

Video cameras may be used on school buses to monitor student behavior. Audio recordings in conjunction with video recordings may also be captured, in accordance with the provisions of RSA 570-A:2.

Notification of such recordings is hereby established in this policy and JICK – Bullying. The Superintendent or his/her designee will ensure that there is a sign prominently displayed on the school buses informing the occupants of the school buses that such video and audio recordings are occurring.

The Superintendent is charged with establishing administrative procedures to address the length of time which the recording is retained, ownership of the recording, limitations on who may view and listen to the recording, and provisions for erasing or destroying the recordings.

All recordings shall be retained for a period not to exceed ten (10) days, unless the Superintendent determines that the recording is relevant to a disciplinary proceeding.

Parents of a student against whom a recording is being used as part of a disciplinary proceeding shall be permitted to listen to the audio recording only. Video recordings used as part of disciplinary investigations or proceedings shall be considered an education record for purposes of the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). Therefore, release of video recordings will only occur pursuant to disclosure requirements of FERPA.

Legal References:

RSA 570-A:2, Capture of Audio Recordings on School Buses Allowed
Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), 20 U.S.C. & 1232g; 34 CFR Pt. 99

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