EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PROPERTY

TITLE: VEHICULAR TRAFFIC AND

PARKING ON SCHOOL

PROPERTY

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713. VEHICULAR TRAFFIC AND PARKING ON SCHOOL PROPERTY

1. Purpose

The Board recognizes the need for safety, security and order on the property of the district. This policy is intended to provide a safe environment for the operation of motor vehicles on school property, to ensure the optimum use of school driveways and parking areas and to maintain service and emergency access to all areas of school property.

2. Authority

The Board directs that this district-wide traffic/parking control program shall be maintained to ensure a safe environment for all students, staff and visitors in accordance with this policy.

3. Definitions

For purposes of this policy, the following words shall mean as follows:

- 1. **Motor vehicle** shall mean an automobile, bus, motorcycle or other self-propelled motorized vehicle.
- 2. **Traffic Violation Notice** is an authorized written notice to inform an individual of a traffic or parking violation that offers the individual an opportunity to avoid school discipline by paying the traffic violation fee within the time specified.
- 4. Delegation of Responsibility

The East Stroudsburg Area School District Police and the District Administration are authorized to enforce this policy as authorized by law.

5. Guidelines

In accordance with the Public School Code of 1949, as amended, the Board adopts the following rules and regulations as policy.

Traffic

The following activities are prohibited while on all property owned by the district:

- 1. Operation of a motor vehicle at a speed in excess of fifteen (15) miles per hour.
- 2. Operation of a motor vehicle not in obedience with traffic signs, markings or established vehicular traffic patterns.

- 3. Failure to obey directions of the East Stroudsburg Area School Police, district personnel and other authorized personnel while directing traffic.
- 4. Operating a motor vehicle on a lawn or other planted area, walkway or any surface not designated for motor vehicles.

Parking or stopping a motor vehicle in designated fire lanes anytime or bus lanes during prohibited hours.

Parking

The following activities are prohibited on all property owned by the district:

- 1. Parking a motor vehicle in an area other than an area designated by the district for parking, including temporary no-parking zones when posted.
- 2. District students parking a motor vehicle in designated parking areas, while school is in session, without clearly displaying a valid parking tag for the vehicle.
- 3. Parking a motor vehicle in handicapped parking space without clearly displaying a valid handicapped permit or tag issued by Pennsylvania Department of Transportation or similar agency of another state.
- 4. Parking a motor vehicle, whether attended or unattended, in a location that obstructs access to emergency vehicles, a gate, road, sidewalk, exit or bus loading zones.

The storage of a motor vehicle or other equipment without the prior written authorization of the Superintendent/East Stroudsburg Area School Police. Any vehicle left on school district property without permission may be subject to removal by the district at the owner's expense.

Traffic Control Devices

The district shall use traffic signs, pavement markings and other traffic calming devices to give notice to motor vehicle operators of the traffic/parking and safety measures as outlined in the annual physical assessments conducted by authorized personnel.

Enforcement

The Board adopts the following procedures to enforce the traffic and parking regulations as set forth in this policy:

- 1. The Board authorizes the East Stroudsburg Area School Police and/or district personnel to enforce its traffic and parking regulations.
- 2. The Superintendent or designee authorizes the East Stroudsburg Area School Police and/or district personnel to temporarily suspend or alter any traffic or parking regulation on a per-event basis in order to facilitate safety or accommodate motor vehicles without prior approval.
- 3. Traffic Violation Notices may be issued for violations of traffic and parking regulations. Traffic Violation Notices shall be handed to the violator or placed on the windshield of the violator's motor vehicle at the time a violation is observed.
- 4. The district may temporarily or permanently suspend a person's privilege to operate a motor vehicle on school property for a second or subsequent violation of its traffic and/or parking regulations.