IDLING OF SCHOOL BUSES AND PRIVATE VEHICLES ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

All District-owned and District-hired school buses shall turn off their engines when students are loading or discharging, or awaiting loading or discharging, at all schools within the District or at any school or other location to which South Colonie students are transported.

No bus shall idle at any location except in compliance with applicable laws that limit idling. All privately owned passenger vehicles, including cars, minivans, pick-up trucks, and SUVs, shall not idle while on school property.

This policy does not apply when buses are transporting students on a bus route.

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IDLING OF SCHOOL BUSES AND PRIVATE VEHICLES
ON SCHOOL GROUNDS REGULATION

The South Colonie Central School District promotes safe schools and safe transportation. In a continuing effort to provide a safe environment for our District students, staff and residents and to be in compliance with federal and state regulations as they pertain to school bus idling, the following regulation will be in effect:

1. All buses will be shut off while waiting for passengers to load and offload on school grounds.

2. When arriving at school locations, all buses must shut off their engines as soon as practical, especially if buses must wait with students onboard before they disembark.

3. When necessary for heating and mechanical purposes, idling time may be increased up to the limits allowed by law, maintaining a minimum interior temperature of 50 degrees per NYSED regulations.

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