

1 **Bainville K-12 Schools**

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3 **NONINSTRUCTIONAL OPERATIONS**

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5 Driver Training and Responsibility

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7 Bus drivers shall observe all state statutes and administrative rules governing traffic safety and  
8 school bus operation. At the beginning of each school year, the District will provide each driver  
9 with a copy of the District’s written rules for bus drivers and for student conduct on buses.

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11 Each bus driver will meet the qualifications established by the Superintendent of Public  
12 Instruction, including possession of a valid Montana commercial driver’s license (with a school  
13 bus “S” endorsement), receive ten (10) hours of in-service annually, and Department of  
14 Transportation-approved physician’s certification that he or she is medically qualified for  
15 employment as a bus driver. The bus driver shall secure a valid standard first aid certificate from  
16 an authorized instructor, within two (2) months after being employed, and maintain a valid first  
17 aid certificate throughout employment as a bus driver. The bus driver must have five (5) years  
18 driving experience.

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20 A teacher, coach, or other certified staff member assigned to accompany students on a bus will  
21 have primary responsibility for behavior of students in his or her charge. The bus driver has final  
22 authority and responsibility for the bus. The Superintendent will establish written procedures for  
23 bus drivers.

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27 Legal Reference: § 20-10-103, MCA School bus driver qualifications  
28 10.7.111, ARM Qualification of Bus Drivers  
29 10.64.201, ARM Drivers

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