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2 **Rural Elementary Attendance Centers**

3 The board of education is committed to providing opportunities for a quality education for  
4 all students across the district. The district is unique in its geographic makeup and the  
5 challenges and opportunities that presents. Because of that makeup, the board also  
6 recognizes that locations of rural attendance centers potentially have an economic  
7 impact on the more sparsely populated local areas of the district.

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9 With that commitment in mind, the board may offer rural attendance center sites in rural  
10 attendance center locations to provide access for more geographically remote portions  
11 of the district.

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13 Factors the board may consider in determining whether to place and/or maintain a rural  
14 attendance center include but are not limited to, the following:

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- 17 • The location of students' residences
  - 18 • The number of students
  - 19 • The educational needs of the students who could be served
  - 20 • The availability of school personnel and substitutes
  - 21 • The ability to provide supplemental services
  - 22 • The availability of adequate facilities
  - 23 • The proximity of other facilities
  - 24 • The quality of roads to be traveled
  - 25 • Travel distance and time for students
  - 26 • Projected maintenance and repair costs
  - 27 • Per pupil cost and financial considerations
  - 28 • Availability and viability of alternative educational delivery systems

29 Transportation to and from rural attendance center sites generally will be determined by  
30 the administration based upon board policies related to transportation and state law.  
31 However, the board specifically authorizes the administration to provide mileage in lieu  
32 of transportation, or vice-versa, at the administration's discretion even when board policy  
33 for transportation to primary attendance centers specifies otherwise.

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35 Students whose option enrollment applications are accepted by the district may request  
36 to attend a rural attendance center, but attendance location assignments will be made by  
37 the Superintendent of schools or the student's education team, if applicable, based on  
38 available resources and programs.

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40 Rural attendance center sites and grades offered will be reviewed on a regular basis.  
41 The board may discontinue any attendance center by simple motion vote without  
42 additional notice. However, the board authorizes the administration to provide further  
43 advance notice when appropriate to help facilitate any changes to programs offered at or  
44 removal of rural attendance center sites.

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