

CHARTER RATES 2024-25

*** First Student, Inc. & Northstar Bus Lines***

Effective 7-1-2024

MINIMUM CHARGE <i>(all school buses):</i>	\$126.26 for 2 hours or less
ADDITIONAL HOURS <i>(after 2 hours):</i>	\$63.13 per hour <i>(charged by "live" minutes)</i> i.e.: 22 minutes = .37 (22/60)
ADDITIONAL MILEAGE:	\$3.03 per mile plus \$77.83 per hour at destination <i>(Outside the 9 County area only)</i>
TRAILERS	No Charge

**All trips will be charged by time only within the 9 County metro area as follows:
*Hennepin, Anoka, Ramsey, Dakota, Carver, Scott, Sherburne, Washington, and Wright.***

\$126.26 cancellation charge: Failure to cancel a trip within **2 hours** for any trip will be charged a Cancel on Arrival (COA). Exceptions would be weather-related conditions.

TIME CALCULATION: Trip time begins when the bus arrives to pick up your group and ends when the group is returned to the point of origin for a round trip or dropped at the destination for a one-way trip.

MILEAGE CALCULATION: There is none **unless** you go outside the 9 County metro area. Trips which are outside the area will need to be quoted as well as ALL coach bus orders.

ORDERING: The contract requires one week notice of trip—if not received within that time, the contractor may deny the request if drivers or equipment are not available. Be sure to have the completed form **submitted to our office at least 10 days prior** to the trip date.

EXAMPLES:

FB to MN Children’s Museum: --- OR --- FB to MN Children’s Museum	
Load @ 9:30am	Load @ 9:30am
Return @ 3:00pm \$347.22 (5.5hrs x \$63.13)	Return @ 3:22pm \$363.00 (5.75 x \$63.13)
Miles (64 round trip) \$0.00	Miles (64 round trip) \$0.00
TOTAL: \$347.22 per bus	TOTAL: \$363.00 per bus

PLEASE NOTE:

First Student and Northstar will be handling all our trips with a few exceptions (driver shortages, high demand of wheelchair bus requests and high volume of field trips and athletic charters on peak days). When we use other bus companies, their rates vary and usually start at a base rate of \$150.00 per bus. ***Please remember that trips need to fall between the time frame of 9:30-1:30pm in order to accommodate due to driver shortage.***

Remember, all transportation requests need to go through the Transportation Department so we can help alleviate any miscommunication and billing problems. If a school goes out on their own without authorization from the Transportation Department at Osseo Area Schools ISD279, it is harder for us to help, and we cannot be held responsible for the billing and any other problems that may occur with the trip. Thank you.