

**281—43.39(285) Civil defense projects.** Civil defense projects may be recognized by the board of directors of any school district as an authorized extracurricular activity under the following conditions:

**43.39(1)** Such activity may take the form of, but need not be restricted to:

- a.* First-aid classes.
- b.* Study and distribution of materials relating to community survival, fallout shelters, radiation detection, and other pertinent disaster measures.
- c.* Exercises and field trips related to the above matters.
- d.* Cooperation with local, state and national authorities, both civil and military, and interested organizations, in carrying out civil defense exercises and in planning and making preparations for passive defense in time of actual emergency.

**43.39(2)** The use of school buses for field trips and exercises, and the planned use of school buses in connection with actual emergency procedures to be carried on in cooperation with local, state or national authorities, civil or military, is hereby defined as properly incident to such authorized extracurricular activity.

**43.39(3)** All such projects, except an actual emergency operation where time is of the essence, shall have prior approval of the state department of education.

**43.39(4)** The bus shall be driven by an approved driver holding an appropriate driver's license and a regular school bus driver's authorization except that in actual emergency situations, where regular drivers are not available, certain other drivers, including students and teachers, may be used providing the following conditions are met. The driver shall:

- a.* Be approved by the local board of education.
- b.* Be at least 18 years of age, be physically and mentally competent, and not possess personal or moral habits which would be detrimental to the best interests of the safety and welfare of the children transported.

**43.39(5)** Rescinded IAB 12/8/04, effective 1/12/05.