

281—43.13(285) Authorization.

43.13(1) *General.* The local board of education or its designee will issue a school bus driver's authorization for each approved driver annually once the provisions of Iowa Code section 321.375 are satisfied.

43.13(2) *Authorization to be carried by driver.* Every school bus driver is to carry a copy of the driver's school bus driver's authorization at all times when the driver is acting in that capacity.

43.13(3) *Authorization denials and revocations.* A person who believes that a school bus driver who holds an authorization issued by the department of education or who seeks a school bus authorization has committed acts in violation of Iowa Code section 321.375(2) may file a complaint with the department against the driver or applicant. The department will notify the driver or applicant that a complaint has been filed and provide the driver or applicant with a copy of the complaint. A hearing will be set for the purpose of determining whether the bus driver's authorization will be denied, suspended, or revoked, or whether the bus driver should receive a reprimand or warning. Hearing procedures in 7—Chapter 2506 apply to such proceedings. No school bus driver or applicant may retain or obtain employment if the local district finds that the individual is listed on the sex offender registry under Iowa Code section 692A.121 available to the general public, the central registry for child abuse information established under Iowa Code section 235A.14, or the central registry for dependent adult abuse information established under Iowa Code section 235B.5. A hearing conducted pursuant to Iowa Code section 321.375(3) or 321.376 is to be limited to the question of whether the school bus driver or applicant was incorrectly listed on the registry. The driver or applicant will not serve in the capacity of a school bus driver while the appeal process is being conducted.

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