**Section 442.208 Barriers, Guard**

a) A restraining guard barrier shall be installed in front of the right and left front passenger seats. Barriers shall be constructed to guard passengers from being thrown into the stairwell, dash, windshield, or driver's compartment. Barriers shall be padded to give knee and head impact protection. Barriers shall conform to S5.2 through S5.2.3 of FMVSS 222. (See 92 Ill. Adm. Code 444 for exceptions for special education school buses.)

b) The vertical distance from the floor covering to the top of a barrier positioned in front of a student's seat shall measure not less than the vertical distance from the floor covering to the top of the seat back on the seat back installed behind that barrier.

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