

TRANSPORTATION REGULATION

Within administrative discretion based on a concern for student safety, the District shall utilize the minimum number of regular daily routes necessary to transport students to their destination in a timely manner. Such routes will:

1. Cross hazardous intersections and railroad tracks only when reasonable alternative routes cannot be developed;
2. Enter streets requiring the bus to turn around only if adequate space is available and this space is properly maintained by Town, County, and/or State Highway Departments;
3. Utilize private driveways and/or property to pickup or deliver students only if permission is granted by the property owner;
4. Not require buses to pass over roads which are unsafe and not suitable for bus travel due to size, surface, or lack of maintenance. Some examples of unsafe conditions are flooding, road erosion, ice and snow, and mud;
5. Pickup/discharge students at as few locations as possible consistent with the concern for student safety, personal property protection, and efficiency.

Bus Drivers shall not deviate from established runs unless approved in advance by the Transportation Supervisor. The deviation may be no more than one-half mile and it may be only for the purpose of picking up or delivering a pupil to or from a child care provider. Exceptions to the mileage limits may be made due to extenuating circumstances as determined by the administration.

Students Eligible For Transportation

- A. The District shall provide transportation for resident students in accordance with existing state law. Namely, the following students are eligible for transport:
 1. Students attending grades K- 8 and living more than 2 miles and up to 15 miles from the school attended;
 2. Students attending grades 9 -12 and living more than 3 miles and up to 15 miles from the school attended.
- B. In addition, the District may provide transportation for distances below 2 and 3 miles and greater than 15 miles given voter approval of funding.
- C. Measurement for qualifications for transportation will be made by the Transportation Supervisor in accordance with existing law and Commissioner's Decisions.
- D. Students eligible for transportation are expected to abide by the District's current Bus Discipline Policy. Violations of this policy may result in the loss of transportation privileges.

Non-Public School Student Transportation

Transportation requests for students attending nonpublic schools should be received by the district no later than the April 1st preceding the beginning of the next school year. If a student moves into the district later than April 1st, the request should be received within thirty days of establishing residence in the district, but preferably no later than August 1st.

Central Pickup/Discharge Points:

Transportation will be provided for resident students living more than 15 miles from the non-public school attended if the District is providing transportation for resident students living less than 15 miles to the same non-public school. Resident students living more than 15 miles from the non-public school attended should be at the designated pickup/discharge point at the time specified by the Transportation Supervisor. For purposes of this policy, the pickup/discharge point will be the Saranac Bus Garage.

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