

STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

The Board, in accordance with state law, may provide free transportation for public school pupils attending schools.

All disabled children will be provided free transportation to and from home to the special education program in which they are enrolled, with the exception of transportation to and from home to hospitals or residential schools where the children reside overnight, or to and from home to clinical facilities for the purposes of medical or psychological evaluation or therapy.

Only those pupils who meet eligibility requirements by means of residence will be permitted to use school bus transportation for the purpose of travel to and from school.

Buses carrying school children will be considered as extensions of the school environment, any pupil whose conduct on a school bus is improper, or who jeopardizes the safety of other pupils may have their right to school bus transportation suspended for such period of time as may be deemed proper by the school principal. Uniform rules of conduct and disciplinary measures will be enforced.

The transportation service will be subject to continual supervision and regular evaluation, and will include these elements:

1. School administrators may be asked to ride certain bus routes and report their findings to the Director of Transportation. They will report all violations of state and local requirements.
2. The Director of Transportation will make spot checks of buses through the year to review requirements, discuss problems and find solutions.
3. The Director of Transportation and router dispatchers will conduct a safety meeting once each month with all bus drivers.

The Director of Transportation and Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources will make recommendations for changes in the transportation system to the Superintendent, who will present recommendations to the Board.

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