

STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

Operation of the School Bus System

Bus routes shall be approved by the Superintendent, subject to review by the School Board. Routes will be over the most direct road practicable for bus travel for those entitled to transportation service. Where an alternate route may be selected without sacrifice to efficiency or economy, preference will be given to that route serving the larger number of pupils more directly. Routes will be designed to employ as nearly as practicable the full carrying capacity of each bus trip. New routes will be established only when full capacity of the trips on existing routes has been reached or is imminent. Pupils who attend chartered public schools or private schools within the District shall be entitled to the same transportation privileges within the District as are provided for pupils in public school.

Insofar as educational requirements permit, school schedules shall be adjusted to allow maximum utilization of each bus in the system by servicing elementary and high school trips with the same fleet of buses.

Bus schedules shall be established under the direction of the Superintendent subject to Board approval. The purpose of bus scheduling shall be to achieve maximum service with a minimum fleet of buses.

Bus stops shall be established under the direction of the Superintendent in cooperation with the head of transportation. The number of bus stops on each trip shall be limited so as to enable buses to maintain a reasonable average speed.

Field trips and sports trips should be coordinated as much as possible to avoid two half-loaded buses going to the same location.

Pupils attending private schools shall be entitled to the same transportation privileges within the District as are provided for pupils in public schools.

Resolution of Conflicts

Parents who wish to request a change or exemption from any of the Student Transportation policies shall direct that request to the District Transportation Coordinator. If the District Transportation Coordinator's ruling does not satisfy the parent, he/she may appeal the ruling

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within five days to the School Business Administrator. If the parent is again not satisfied by the ruling, he/she may appeal to the Superintendent within the next five day period. As a last appeal, the parent may request to appear before the Board within the next five day period.

Legal References:

RSA 189:6, Transportation of pupils

RSA 189:8, Limitations and Additions

RSA 189:9, Pupils in Private Schools

RSA 189:9-a, Pupils prohibited for Disciplinary Reasons

RSA 200:40, Emergency Care

Appendix: JICC-R & EEA-R

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