

STUDENT TRANSPORTATION

The Board of Education affirms its responsibility to provide a reasonably safe and economical transportation system for district students. Transportation shall be provided at district expense to those students who are eligible and authorized by the Board. The District may require children in grades K-8 to walk a distance of up to two miles, and children in grades 9-12 to walk a distance up to three miles from their homes to their schools. The District must provide transportation up to a distance of 15 miles. However, transportation for distances less than two miles in the case of children in kindergarten through the eighth grade, or less than three miles in the case of students in grades 9-12, and for distances greater than 15 miles may be provided, if the voters approve. If transportation is provided, it must be offered equally to all children in like circumstances residing in the district.

The major objectives in the management of the student transportation program shall include the following:

1. to provide efficient, effective and safe service;
2. to ensure that all students whose disability or distance from school requires them to receive necessary transportation do, in fact, receive it;
3. to adapt the system to the demands of the instructional program;
4. to maintain transportation vehicles in the best possible condition;
5. to review at least once a year school bus schedules and routing plans to ensure that maximum efficiency and safety are maintained; and
6. to review at least once a year the eligibility for transportation of students residing in the district, to ensure that all entitled to the services receive them.

The High School Principal shall be responsible for administering the transportation program. The program shall comply with all applicable laws, regulations and policies established by federal, state and local authorities.

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