

**STUDENT TRANSPORTATION**

The Board of Education affirms its goal of providing a safe and economical transportation system for district students. Transportation shall be provided at district expense to those students who are eligible as authorized by the Board.

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

1. provide efficient, effective and safe service;
2. ensure that all students whose disability, distance from school, or eligibility due to homelessness or foster care placement (where the student is attending his/her school of origin) requires them to receive necessary transportation do, in fact, receive it;
3. adapt the system to the demands of the instructional program;
4. maintain transportation vehicles in the best possible condition;
5. review at least once a year school bus schedules and routing plans to ensure that maximum efficiency and safety are maintained; and
6. 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.

For some homeless children, a local social services district provides for, arranges, or pays for transportation. For children in foster care, the district shall work with state and/or local social services agencies to develop procedures to provide prompt and cost-effective transportation to their school of origin, for the duration of their time in foster care, when that is in the child's best interest.

The Superintendent 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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Ref: **20 USC §6312(c)(5)(B); 34 CFR §299.13(c)(1)(ii)**  
Education Law §§305(14); 1501-b; 1807; 3602(7); 3623; 3635 et seq.  
*Matter of Handicapped Child*, 24 EDR 41 (1984)  
*Matter of Zakrezewski*, 22 EDR381 (1983)  
*Matter of Nowak*, 22 EDR 91 (1982)  
*Matter of Fox*, 19 EDR 439 (1980)

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