

**STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES**

The Board of Education shall provide transportation to and from school for the following students:

1. Students residing in the district who live two or more miles from the district public school to which they are assigned.
2. Students residing in the district who are attending a private school located two or more miles from the student's residence, if such private school is a school within whose attendance area the student resides and is situated within the district or not more than five miles beyond the boundaries of the district.
3. Students residing in areas within the district which have been designated as hazardous by the appropriate law enforcement agency.
4. Students with disabilities in accordance with state and federal law requirements.
5. Students residing in the district who live less than two miles from the district public school to which they are assigned or who are attending a private school located less than two miles from the student's residence, if such private school is a school within whose attendance area the student resides and is situated within the district or not more than five miles beyond the boundaries of the district, and they have a temporary handicap.

All physically handicapping conditions must be substantiated by a certificate or statement from a medical doctor. Parents/guardians shall be responsible for obtaining the certificate or statement and forwarding it to the Administration Office. A temporary handicap shall require an annual certificate or statement. A permanent handicapping condition shall require only one certificate or statement.

While the law requires the district to furnish transportation, it does not relieve parents/guardians from the responsibility of seeing that their child is supervised until such time as the child boards the bus and after the child leaves the bus at the end of the school day. Once a child boards the bus – and only at that time – does he/she become the responsibility of the district. Such responsibility shall end when the student is delivered to the assigned bus stop at the close of the school day.

In addition to normal school day bus transportation for students, the Board shall provide for the transportation of students for curricular and extracurricular activities. The Board delegates authority to the administration to act on requests for extracurricular transportation when the vehicle would return the same day. All other requests for extracurricular transportation shall be referred to the Board. (This would include situations in which overnight trips are necessary and

public transportation is not available.) A fee for riding a bus for extracurricular activities may be set by the District Administrator.

When inclement weather prevails, the District Administrator and Transportation Director shall determine if buses should operate. If it appears that the weather may present a problem, the drivers shall be notified by the Transportation Director at least 30 minutes before they would begin their routes.

A motor vehicle transporting nine or less passengers in addition to the driver may be used in providing student transportation to and from curricular and extracurricular activities if all requirements of state law are met.

LEGAL REF.:           Sections 115.76(3) Wisconsin Statutes  
                                  121.51-121.58

CROSS REF.:           751-Rule, Guidelines for Extracurricular Transportation  
                                  751-Exhibit, Permission to Use a Vehicle Transporting Nine or Less  
  Passengers  
                                  352, Field Trips and Excursions  
                                  443.2, Student Conduct on School Buses  
                                  751.1, Bus Routing and Scheduling  
                                  751.2, School Vehicle Safety

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