

SUBJECT: TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

Transportation Philosophy

Pupil transportation is a major function of the school. It is necessary in order to provide equal educational opportunity to children. It requires special attention so that the greatest benefit will accrue from the dollars expended. It is important to set forth the major objectives which serve as a guide in the management of the pupil transportation program. These objectives include the following:

- a) To furnish transportation to those pupils whose health or distance from the school make the service essential.
- b) To provide the safest possible transportation.
- c) To operate the transportation program efficiently and economically.
- d) To adapt transportation to the requirements of the instructional program.
- e) To maintain conditions on the buses which are conducive to the best interest of the pupils, including mental, moral, and physical considerations.
- f) To promote a sympathetic public understanding of the entire transportation program, including safety, adequacy, efficiency, and standards of service.
- g) To comply with all state laws, regulations, and mandates.
- h) To establish and review at least once a year the pickup and discharge points.

Types of Transportation

In meeting and carrying out the above objectives, it will be necessary to provide the following types of transportation:

- a) Regular transportation for public, private, parochial, and students with handicapping conditions necessary to transport such students to and from school.
- b) Field trips, for public school students, which are of an instructional nature, organized and supervised by a member or members of the instructional staff, which are conducted during the normal school day, evenings, or holidays.
- c) Extracurricular transportation of a non-instructional nature for events which are conducted after normal school hours, during weekends, and holidays.

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- d) Remedial transportation for students who are receiving instructional assistance after normal school hours.
- e) Transportation on Saturdays, Sundays, Holidays or Summer Recess

Transportation shall be provided on Saturdays, Sundays and/or holidays for resident, District public school pupils who are under the supervision of certified instructional staff members from school to sponsored activities, and returned to school. (no home to school transportation)

Transportation to private, parochial, and/or handicapped schools on these days shall be provided only as required by law.

Transportation shall not be provided during the summer recess months unless specifically authorized by the Board of Education.

Mileage Restrictions:

Field trips, extracurricular trips or athletic competition requiring an overnight stay require the approval of the Superintendent.

Trips that evolve from invitation and/or excellence of performance will be submitted to the Superintendent for approval.