

PUPIL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

- Transportation shall be furnished without charge by the Nashua School District to the following students:
 - Middle School students in grades 6-8 living more than two miles from their assigned school.
 - Elementary School students grades K-5 living more than one mile from their assigned school.
 - Space Available transportation requests shall be considered using the criteria of grade and distance. The privilege of Space Available transportation shall not be approved prior to October 1 of the school year and will terminate at the close of that school year.
- High School students in grades 9-12 living more than two miles from their assigned school who desire bus transportation shall be charged a fee as determined by the Board of Education.
- No student will be required to walk more than one (1) mile to the nearest designated bus stop or pick-up point.
- Unless otherwise indicated, buses will only stop along routes at designated pick-up points.
- Students must be ready at the appropriate time to be picked up at bus stop. Bus drivers are not required to wait for any pupil not present at the pick-up point.
- The bus contractor is responsible for proper and adequate safety features and practices on all buses.
- Unless specific permission is given by school authority, students will only ride designated buses.
- Where the health and safety of school children could be endangered or where physical limitations exist, the Superintendent of Schools or designee(s) may relax the distance requirements for transportation.
- The responsibility for transportation shall rest with the parents when:
 - The student is picked up or dropped off at an address other than their legal residence.
 - A parental request to attend a school other than their assigned school is approved.
 - Responsibility for transportation shall rest with the Director of Transportation.
- In cases where there is mass disruption on a bus route which creates an unsafe situation, or cases of significant vandalism, the Director of Transportation will consult with the Superintendent of Schools, may temporarily suspend a bus route when other measures to bring about corrective action have not been successful. It is recognized that the suspension of a bus route is a serious step and may be taken only after other measures have been proven unsuccessful and/or deemed inappropriate.
- A bus route may be temporarily suspended for a period not to exceed five school days at any one time. Longer suspensions require full board action. Five days notification will be given to parent or guardian.

Legal Reference:

***Legal References Disclaimer:** These references are not intended to be considered part of this policy, nor should they be taken as a comprehensive statement of the legal basis for the Board to enact this policy, nor as a complete recitation of related legal authority. Instead, they are provided as additional resources for those interested in the subject matter of the policy.*

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