

STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

The District shall provide transportation for pupils to schools in the District consistent with provisions of RSA 189:6 provided they live one mile or more from the school. The following policies shall apply.

Per RSA 193:12, students who are deemed legal residents of the school district pursuant to a divorce decree or parenting plan developed under RSA 461-A, will not necessarily be provided transportation for students admitted under this provision and under corresponding law. The Superintendent or designee will make all determination as to whether transportation will be provided in such circumstances. The Superintendent or designee's decision will be final.

General Operating Policy

- A. Bus routes shall be established by the Superintendent, subject to review by the School Board. Routes will be developed annually and posted.
- B. Bus stops shall be established under the direction of the Superintendent. A bus stop so established will be designated as authorized when the Superintendent, or his/her representative or agent, has approved its designation as such. Drivers may not load or unload pupils at other than authorized bus stops.

Student Conduct on School Buses

The bus driver will have responsibility to maintain orderly behavior of students on school buses and will report misconduct to the student's principal in writing. Video cameras may be used on buses to support the bus driver's reports of unacceptable conduct. The school principal will have the authority delegated by the Superintendent to suspend the riding privileges of students who are disciplinary problems on the bus by failing to conform to the rules and regulations promulgated by the School Board.

Parents of children whose pattern of behavior and conduct on school buses endangers the health, safety and welfare of other riders will be notified that their children face the loss of school bus riding privileges in accordance with the student discipline code. Suspensions in excess of (20) twenty consecutive days must be approved by the Board (RSA 189:9a).

Resolution of Conflicts

A parent who wishes to request a change or exemption from any of the Student Transportation policies shall direct that request first to the building principal. If the parent is not satisfied by the ruling of the building principal, he or she may appeal the ruling within five (5) days to the Superintendent. If the parent is again not satisfied by the ruling, he or she may appeal to the School Board within the next five-day period.

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Legal References:

RSA 189:6 Transportation of Pupils

RSA 189:8 Limitations and Additions

RSA 189:9 Pupils in Private Schools

RSA 189:9-a Pupils prohibited for Disciplinary Reasons

RSA 193:12 Legal Residency Required

RSA 200:40 Emergency Care

RSA 570-A:2, Capture of Audio Recordings on School Buses Allowed

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), 20 U.S.C. § 1232g; 34CFR Part 99

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