

School District No. 22 (Vernon)

POLICY

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No. 10.0.0

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TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY

Introduction

Although the School Act no longer requires Boards of Education to provide student transportation services, in accordance with this Policy and Regulation, the Board of Education has committed to providing subsidized transportation services.

It is the parent's responsibility to determine how their children will safely travel to and from school or to and from the bus pick up and drop off locations. The district provided transportation services are one option.

The School Board is responsible for the safety of students while being transported by bus, from the time they board the bus in the morning until they disembark from the bus in the afternoon.

The School Board is not responsible for the safety of the route the student may travel to and from the school or bus stop.

Policy

1. The board authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to:
 - Determine school transportation areas within the School District;
 - Manage the student transportation system in accordance with Regulation 10.1.0 Transportation Services Management, the industry accepted regulations and practices for transportation in School District No. 22, educational needs, and within the fiscal mandate of the Board;
 - Authorize school bus routes;
 - Student discipline policy will follow Board Policy 9.14 Code of Conduct.

2. The school principal:
 - The principal will follow School District No. 22 discipline procedures up to and including suspending riding privileges.

3. The school bus driver is authorized to:

- Cancel a trip when, in his/her opinion, the current road conditions are unsafe and continuation of the trip presents a hazard to students on the bus; and
- Drive the bus and its riders to a location where a school or District-based administrator can take appropriate action if there are concerns regarding discipline, safety or other exceptional circumstances.

Related Documents: School Act, Sections 22 & 85
Policy 10.1.0 School District Transportation Services Management