

STUDENT TRANSPORTATION

NEAN/NSBA Code: EEA

The Board will provide transportation for all students living beyond a reasonable distance from the school or from a scheduled bus stop.

1. Distances

- 1.1. Students in Grades K-2 shall be bused from a designated bus stop without regard to distance when deemed appropriate for safety purposes.
- 1.2. Students in Grades 3 through 12 may be required to furnish their own transportation up to one (1) mile from school or up to one half (1/2) mile to a designated bus stop.
- 1.3. Exceptions to walking distances may be made for students with disabilities as required by their IEP or 504 Plan or with written documentation from the students physician as to need.

2. Bus Stops

- 2.1 Authorized bus stops will be located so as to load and unload students with the most safety allowed by road condition.
- 2.2 The distance between stops may vary according to safety factors.
- 2.3 When and if possible, students will load and unload so that it will not be necessary for them to cross a main highway.

3. Guidelines

- 3.1 No school bus shall be required to travel other than on public roads.
- 3.2 Regulations necessary for the bus driver such as routing, emergency procedures and control of students while entering, riding or leaving a bus shall be determined by the principal, with consultation with the Director of Transportation, and made known to parents/guardians and students. Students failing to meet behavioral guidelines when loading, unloading or riding the bus shall be subject to disciplinary action as outlined in Board Policy JICC: Student Conduct on School Bus.

Legal Reference: 20-A MRSA 5401

Cross Reference: JICC – Student Conduct, - School Buses

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