

POLICY

Willingboro Township

Board of Education

Section: Operations

8600. TRANSPORTATION (M)

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- A. Bus transportation from home to school for pupils residing in the district shall be restricted to State recommended distances unless hazardous conditions warrant otherwise. These hazardous conditions shall be determined by the Superintendent of Schools through survey and the recommendation to provide bus transportation shall be submitted for approval by the Board of Education.

Grades K-8 2 miles minimum distance from home to school

Grades 9-12 2½ miles minimum distance from home to school

Pupils who are assigned to an elementary school other than the residence park elementary school end specifically designated by action of the Board of Education as pupils to be transported, shall be transported from the residence park elementary school to the assigned elementary school.

Parent(s) or legal guardian(s) who request for their child to attend an elementary school other than the residence park elementary school must provide transportation to and from school.

A teacher, teacher aide, or bus aide shall supervise the loading and unloading of the buses used to transport these pupils.

Pupils, at the option of the parent or guardian, may be granted permission to walk to the assigned park elementary school from their residence. The option selected shall be binding for the entire school year.

The Board of Education shall furnish transportation for all children found to be physically or mentally handicapped when the medical examiner reports that such transportation is necessary or advisable, in accordance with New Jersey Statutes.

Bus transportation shall be provided for pupils when they represent the Willingboro Township Public Schools and are involved in athletic and musical programs, exhibits, debates, and other system-wide or school activities approved by the Superintendent of Schools when funds are available for that purpose in the budget.

- B. In accordance with New Jersey Statutes, pupils who reside in the Willingboro Township School District and who attend (non-profit) private or parochial schools outside the district (which exceeds the distance set forth under "A" but is within twenty miles from their residence in Willingboro) and whose transportation costs exceed the State-mandated figure, shall not receive transportation. The applicant, however, shall receive the State-mandated figure from the Board of Education in accordance with the following terms:

Half of the State-mandated figure shall be paid to the applicant after the completion of the first semester, and the second half shall be paid to the applicant at the end of the school year by the Board of Education, provided the Board of Education receives certification of enrollment from said applicant. Payment shall be made on a pro-rata basis for pupils registering after the beginning of any semester.

C. Transportation for Temporarily Handicapped Pupils:

All requests for special transportation for temporarily handicapped pupils shall be approved by the Chief Medical Inspector of the Willingboro Township School District.

D. Transportation for Handicapped Pupils in Approved Out-of-State Facilities

All requests for transportation to and from approved out-of-State facilities shall be in accordance with New Jersey Administrative Code.

N.J.S.A. 18A:39-1 et seq.

N.J.S.A. 27:15-16

N.J.S.A. 39:3B-1 et seq.

N.J.A.C. 6A:27-1.1 et seq.; 6A:27-2.1 et seq.; 6A:27-3.1.

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