

**PUPIL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES**

Transportation shall be furnished without charge by the Nashua School District to the following students:

- o Middle School students in grades 6-8 living more than two miles from their assigned school.
- o Elementary School students grades 1-5 living more than one mile from their assigned school.
- o 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:

- o The student is picked up or dropped off at an address other than their legal residence.
- o A parental request to attend a school other than their assigned school is approved.
- o 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.

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