

This board adopts as policy the *Pupil Transportation and Responsibilities and Operations Manual* of the State Department of Education, revised 1996, and all subsequent revisions to this manual.

To afford more equal opportunity for public school attendance, the board will, where practical, provide transportation for the public school students within this district.

Regularly enrolled students and duly enrolled students of this district who reside one and one-half (1½) miles or more from the school of attendance, may avail themselves of the transportation services the district operates in that particular area. *The transportation services provided by this district are a privilege, not a right. Students may be prevented from availing themselves of transportation services due to disciplinary infractions.*

The board may transport students living less than one and one-half (1½) miles from their attended school when, in its judgment, the age, health or safety of the student warrants such transportation.

A day care, family day care home, or group day care facility as defined in Section 39-1102, Idaho Code, may substitute for the student's residence for student transportation to and from school. This district will not transport students between child care facilities and home.

Each year the board will establish bus routes and determine non-transportation zones not later than at the regular August meeting of the board. In approving the routing of school buses, or the maintenance and operation of all transportation equipment, or the appointment or employment of chauffeurs, the primary requirements to be observed by this board are the safety and adequate protection of the health of the students. All changes to established bus routes must be approved by this board.

Non-transportation zones will comprise areas of this district, as designated by the board, which are impractical by reason of scarcity of students and/or remoteness or condition of roads to be served by established bus routes.

To provide transportation to students, this district may purchase or lease, and maintain and operate school buses; enter into agreements or contracts for the use of a charter bus(es); enter into contracts with individuals, firms, corporations or private carriers; or make payments to parents or guardians, subject to the statutory limitations, when transportation is not furnished by the district.

**LEGAL REFERENCES:**

Idaho Code Sections

33-1501, *et seq.*

39-1102

*Pupil Transportation and Responsibilities and Operations Manual,*

Idaho State Department of Education, revised 1996.

**ADOPTED:** January 12, 2004

**AMENDED:**