

TITLE: Transportation

CODE: F12
Mandatory

Policy

Where it is reasonable and necessary to enable a student entitled or required to attend an elementary or secondary school operated by the District, the District may furnish transportation to the students of the District as, in the opinion of the school directors, is reasonable and necessary for the students to attend school. The District may provide transportation to non-resident students as authorized by the Board. Accordingly, the Windham Southeast Supervisory has decided to furnish transportation under this policy

The superintendent will establish routes and designate stops after considering both the safety of children and efficiency of operation. The following non-exclusive list of factors will be considered when determining routes and stops.

1. The presence or absence of sidewalks or paths off the highway.
2. Width, condition and class of highways, including curves, hills, intersections, turn-arounds, and seasonal road conditions.
3. Density and speed of traffic.
4. Proximity of dwellings, factories, or industrial areas.
5. Physical nature of any area such as presence of woods, ravines, or gravel pits.
6. The number of children required to congregate at any designated stop, and supervision available at any designated stop.
7. Health or physical impairment of students being transported.
8. Distance traveled on a single route, and the length of time spent on a bus by any given student going to or returning from school.
9. Age and maturity of students transported.

The superintendent may consider any other factors he or she deems appropriate when establishing routes and designated stops.

The Superintendent shall submit to the school board for approval, any contracts, leases or purchase necessary to maintain and operate transportation equipment, and shall include in his or her annual report to the Board information as to all pupils transported by the school district and the expense thereof.

Date Warned: September 3, 2013
Date Adopted: September 16, 2013
Legal Reference(s): 16 V.S.A. §§1221, 1222, 1224 (Student transportation)
16 V.S.A. §1551 (Technical Center Transport)
Cross Reference: Bus Discipline (F2)