## North East Tri-Board Student Transportation | Service du transport scolaire des trois-conseils du Nord Est

SCHOOL BUS SERVICE TO THE SCHOOL DISTRICTS OF COCHRANE AND TIMISKAMING LE TRANSPORT SCOLAIRE AUX DISTRICTS SCOLAIRE DE COCHRANE ET TIMISKAMING

## **GP05: Joint Transportation Language Access Policy**

## Preamble:

Amendments or deletions to this policy must be processed through the Joint Transportation Governance Committee (JTGC) and approved by the JTGC prior to presentation and subsequent approval by individual Boards.

## **Policy:**

- 1. The Board expects and encourages that all school bus drivers will be able to effectively communicate with students they transport in the language of instruction of the schools they serve.
- 2. All documents and digital media made available to students, parents, schools, and the public will be made available in both French and English languages.
- 3. The transportation office shall employ at least one staff member who can acceptably communicate in the French language and at least one staff member who can acceptably communicate in the English language.
  - 3.1. The member boards who provides English instruction will determine the acceptable ability of a staff member to communicate in the English language.
  - 3.2. The member boards who provides French instruction will determine the acceptable ability of a staff member to communicate in the French language.
- 4. Joint Transportation Meeting will be conducted in the English Language. If required, a translator may be contract by the Joint Transportation Committee.

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