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



GP06: Joint Transportation Administration 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. DISTANCES

1.1. All distances mentioned will be the shortest distance by public road or publicly owned and maintained access route between home and school and may be measured from where the laneway or driveway joins the public road.

2. ADVERSE ROAD AND WEATHER CONDITIONS

- 2.1. The member District School Boards recognize their responsibility for the safety and welfare of their pupils during or before school hours as stipulated in the Education Act or the Regulations.
- 2.2. When a situation of inclement weather exists, or is predicted to exist before or during the school day which produces a significant risk for the safety of pupils, the Boards will develop and implement administrative provisions which will authorize Board designates to cancel student transportation.
 - 2.2.1.The Director of Education or his/her designate may cancel the student transportation service before the beginning of the school day if the safety of pupils is at risk. The Inclement Weather Policy shall be followed for these purposes.
 - 2.2.2.The Directors of Education or their designates may shorten the school day for the same reason. The Inclement Weather Policy shall be followed for these purposes.

3. ONTARIO SCHOOLS OR RESIDENTIAL FACILITIES FOR EXCEPTIONAL PUPILS

3.1. The Board may provide a resident pupil or for a person who is qualified to be a resident pupil, student transportation to and from the pupil's residence and the Ontario Schools for the Blind, Deaf and Ontario Hospital School, a Children's Mental Health Centre or Provincial Demonstration Schools as per the schedule established by the facility.

TRANSPORTATION PROVIDED BY PARENT/GUARDIAN IN LIEU OF BUSSING

- 4.1. Non-residents or persons living at a cottage or summer place or an alternate residence do not qualify.
- 4.2. In exceptional cases and upon specific approval of the Director of Education or his/her designate, a pupil may be authorized to attend a specific school (not normally attended) on condition that there are no added student transportation cost.

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