



Support Services

Section: EEAA

WALKERS AND RIDERS

Students will be entitled to transportation to and from school at the expense of the public schools when such transportation conforms to applicable provisions of the Massachusetts General Laws. Additionally, the Committee will provide transportation for students as follows:
Kindergarten- Grade 12: All students living more than one mile from school.

Exceptions to these guidelines may be made at the discretion of the Superintendent. This will apply particularly to any student who must travel in a hazardous area to and from school. These students will be transported regardless of the mileage limits listed.

Safety is a responsibility that is shared between the family and the school. While the law requires the School Department to provide a defined level of transportation, it does not relieve parents/guardians of students from the responsibility of supervision until the student boards the bus in the morning. Therefore, it is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to ensure the student safely arrives at, and departs from, the bus stop. The parent/guardian is responsible for escorting the student to and from the bus stop where there are no sidewalks, where sidewalks are only on one side, where the bus stop is on the opposite side of the street, and where there are traffic or other safety concerns.

This policy, being consistent with current state law, may require students to walk up to one mile to a bus stop.

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