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Transportation Service

1. All public and non-public school students, grades K-12, living two or more miles from their respective schools or being eligible for transportation under Wisconsin Statute 121.54(9) - hazardous conditions - shall be transported.
2. Students eligible for transportation may be issued city bus passes where such transportation is available and feasible.
3. Parent/Guardian contracts may be issued to resident parents/guardians of public and non-public school students eligible for transportation service, when it is not economically feasible to provide bus service. The Transportation Supervisor is authorized to establish the rate of reimbursement for such contracts, which shall comply with Wisconsin Statute 121.55(3).
4. Reciprocal arrangements between the District and adjacent school districts are authorized for student transportation service on nonresident students.
5. Subject to a payment of the actual annual per-student transportation costs, including but not limited to costs for depreciation, maintenance, insurance, fuel and compensation of vehicle operators, an agreement may be made with an adjacent public school district to transport nonresident non-public students.
6. Disabled students are eligible for transportation service regardless of the distance between their residences and their respective schools upon approval by the State Superintendent or as required by the student's Individualized Education Program.
7. In accordance with the Wisconsin Statutes, non-public schools requesting student transportation service for the following year shall submit to the Transportation Office attendance area maps for review by the School Board prior to April 1st and shall submit names, grade levels and addresses of pupils eligible for transportation service for review by the School Board prior to May 15th.
8. Parents/Guardians shall be responsible for the safety of their children before being picked up by the bus and after they are discharged from the bus.
9. Special Transportation Service Arrangements
 - a. Alternate
A student eligible for transportation services may have services scheduled using an alternate address. Parent/guardian must submit in writing the request for such accommodations to the Racine Unified School District Transportation Supervisor.

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Requests must be submitted by July 1 each year for the request to be effective at the beginning of the school year.

Pick-up and drop-off point for each student must be the same location.

The alternate location must be within the original school attendance area.

b. Joint Custody and Placement

A student eligible for transportation services may have services from both parents' addresses if a court has granted joint legal custody and shared placement provided that:

- (1) a schedule of placement accompanies form; and
- (2) a certified copy of the divorce judgment and the most recent post-judgment order(s), if any, accompany form; and
- (3) one parent lives in the attendance area of the attending school, and both parents live in the Racine Unified School District.

If a student is enrolled in the Racine Unified School District but is living outside the Racine Unified School District because the student's parents/guardians have joint legal custody, the student's parents/guardians may request the Racine Unified School District to transport the student to and from an agreed-upon location within the Racine Unified School District.

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§ 121.55

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