707.00 TRANSPORTATION: ELIGIBILITY

1. The District provides transportation to and from school for:
   • Pupils for whom the District is required to provide transportation under the provisions of Minnesota statutes which include pupils who are eligible by reason of distance or handicapping condition.
   • Pupils who reside one or more miles from their attendance area school or from a school they are attending under a program approved by the Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Education.
   • Pupils coming from or going to a licensed day care facility, the residence of a relative, the residence of a person chosen by the pupil’s parent or guardian, or from a school based day care facility that is exempt from Minnesota day care licensing requirements, if that facility or residence is within the attendance area or transportation area of the school the pupil attends.
   • Pupils who would otherwise encounter extraordinary hazardous traffic conditions while walking to or from school as determined by using uniform criteria established by the administration.
   • Nonresident pupils attending a pupil school within the District under an approved alternative attendance program for that portion of the trip to and from school which is within the school attendance area.
   • Students defined as homeless under the Federal Regulations.
   • Resident pupils attending a non-public school in another school district which offers grades or departments which are not available within the District, but only for that portion of the trip to and from school which is within the District boundaries.
   • Resident pupils attending the Minnesota State Academies for the Blind and the Deaf.

2. The District shall provide equal transportation for public and non-public school students to the extent required by law and rule.

3. The District may provide transportation for a non-resident student who is attending a non-public school within the District, or an East Metro Integration District school, under contract to the student’s district of residence if the student is attending a daycare facility within the District. The daycare for a nonpublic student must be within the attendance areas of the non-public school. The transportation shall be provided on a space available basis and the student’s district of residence shall agree to pay the district the average full-time equivalent pupil cost for the type of transportation provided in the year in which the service is rendered.

4. The District may provide transportation to non-resident pupils attending the Minnesota State Academies for the Blind and the Deaf under contract to the pupil’s district of residence provided that there is existing capacity...
available of District buses. The district of residence shall pay the average full-time equivalent pupil cost for the service, including an aide, if provided, in the year in which the service is rendered.

LEGAL REFERENCES:

CROSS REFERENCES:

707.02, Transportation: Student Conduct
707.04, Transportation: Student School Bus Safety Training
707.05, Transportation: Type III School Buses
710.00, Transportation: Field, Athletic, Community Education Trips