

CONVEYANCE OF STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

The Board operates limited student conveyance services for students enrolled in special education programs. The Board will take into account a number of factors such as provincial legislation with regard to the provision of these services, when determining the students who will be provided with conveyance.

The Board may provide for conveyance of students when the following occurs:

1. A child is attending a District Program for Students with Special Needs and is a resident of one of the municipalities or villages where the District resides;
2. At the discretion of the Secretary Treasurer, or designate.

Specifically,

A conveyance service will be provided for Elementary, Middle and Secondary School Students who reside within the School District who are designated by the School District as a student with special needs. Students with special needs are considered severely; physically, intellectually or behaviourally disabled. The service will be provided from the student's home to the school in which the student is assigned. The Board will decide the method of conveyance. Conveyance services will be considered on an individual basis. Recognizing that fiscal and time constraints may have a bearing on whether conveyance service can be provided, the Board will review conveyance decisions concerning students attending special education programs each school year.

Only the student eligible for conveyance services can be transported, even though siblings may attend the same school.

The Board's objective is to retain a reasonable limit to travel time and waiting time at school, and a joint one-way travel time and waiting time at school, under normal conditions, should not exceed 60 minutes for the student.

District Special Program Students

Special Program students are those defined as attending specialty programs such as the Teaching and Evaluation (T&E) Centre or similar program offerings. Parents shall be requested to make arrangements for the conveyance of their children to and from school. Where suitable arrangements cannot be made, it will be at the discretion of the Secretary Treasurer or their designate, whether a conveyance service will be granted.

French Immersion, Montessori, Cross-catchment or all Optional Programs

No conveyance arrangements shall be provided for programs in French Immersion, Montessori, Cross-catchment or any other optional program.

Legal Reference: Section 83, 85, School Act

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