

STUDENT TRANSPORTATION POLICY

Policy Statement

The Eastern School District will provide to eligible students, the safest, shortest, best quality ride time possible in accordance with provincial regulations and all approved policies of the Department of Education and the Eastern School District.

Rationale

The Eastern School District recognizes that Student Transportation to and from school is necessary due to the geography of individual school zones. The School District will work through the Department of Education to ensure that transportation is scheduled in such a way that the best educational interests of the students are served.

Scope

This policy governs all regular and special student transportation, including contracted and District-owned systems within the Eastern School District.

Procedures:

1. The CEO/Director of Education will establish administrative procedures to provide guidance in delineating the intent of this policy.
2. These regulations will be reviewed annually by the CEO/Director of Education in consultation with Administrative Council.
3. Route design is the responsibility of the District and requires approval by the Department of Education.
4. Transportation to summer school, night school, or other school related activities is not part of the regular transportation contract. No additional transportation is provided for French Immersion other than to the normally zoned school.
5. Transportation outside the regular transportation contract can only be provided on a cost recovery, user pay basis.
6. The Eastern School District will provide a handbook of regulations which will outline the responsibilities and expectations for students, parents/guardians, contractors, drivers, and school and district staff.

