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#### 8600 STUDENT TRANSPORTATION

The School Business Administrator/Board Secretary shall be responsible for the design of bus routes to provide safe, economical and reasonably expeditious transportation for the students included in this policy.

The Board shall contract for school bus services for the transportation of students from home to school and from school to home at the beginning and ending of the school day, and for the transportation of students on field trips and athletic trips.

The Board shall provide transportation to District students in all grades who live more than two and one-half miles from their school of attendance.

The Board recognizes that, under specific circumstances, it could be mutually advantageous to offer subscription busing to Ramapo and Indian Hills students. This busing would be offered, on a lottery basis, to those students who reside within two and one half miles of their school of attendance.

The Board hereby directs the Superintendent to develop appropriate procedures relative to subscription busing following all applicable State laws and guidelines.

The Board will transport handicapped children so certified by the Child Study Team and will also transport students temporarily handicapped upon certification of a physician. In addition to students enrolled in the schools of this District, the Board shall transport resident nonpublic and charter school students attending schools in New Jersey no more than twenty miles from their residence, but not a lesser distance from their residence than that required for transportation of public school children.

When Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District schools are closed because of inclement weather, transportation shall not be provided by this Board of Education for students attending any other public and/or nonprofit private or parochial school (such as Don Bosco, Paramus Catholic, etc.).

The school bus driver shall be responsible for the discipline of students while they are being transported to or from school. When a problem in student conduct requires disciplinary action, the driver shall report it to the Building Principal. A student may be suspended from bus transportation by the Principal for disciplinary reasons, in which case the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) are responsible for the student's transportation.



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Buses, whether contracted or District-owned, shall be kept in optimum condition and shall conform to all State safety regulations.

Bus routes must be acted upon by the Board and submitted to the county office.

N.J.S.A. 18A:39-1 et seq. N.J.S.A. 27:15-16 N.J.S.A. 39:3B-1 et seq. N.J.A.C. 6A:27-1.1 et seq.; 6A:27-2.1 et seq.; 6A:27-3.1

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