



## YORK CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

**No.:** 203

**Section:** Students

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### **POLICY:**

### **TRANSPORTATION**

It is the policy of the York Catholic District School Board to supply transportation services to and from school to the students enrolled in its schools in accordance with the guidelines outlined in this policy and the *Student Transportation Services Procedure Manual* as endorsed by the Joint Board Consortium. The Board reserves the right to withdraw transportation services at any time.

### **GUIDELINES**

#### 1. **ELIGIBILITY FOR TRANSPORTATION**

##### 1.1 **Non Transportation Zones**

Non-transportation zones measurements may include a .1 km range on either side of the walking distance for students to allow for logical break points in service levels.

#### **DISTANCE**

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| JK/SK - 3 | 1.2 km   |
| GR 4 - 8  | 1.6 km   |
| GR 9 -12  | 4.8 km * |

\*Grades 9-12, students living within 4.8km without access to local municipal transit service, shall have their non-transportation zone reduced to 3.2 kms. All students within 3.2km of the nearest York Catholic District School Board secondary school shall not be entitled to transportation, apart from exceptions identified in the *Student Transportation Services Procedure Manual*.

1.2 Children attending school outside the Board's jurisdiction shall not be entitled to transportation services.

1.3 Students attending school outside their school attendance area are not entitled to transportation services.

**2. SPECIALIZED TRANSPORTATION**

Transportation may be provided for:

- a) Physically challenged pupils,
- b) Pupils requiring a special education program as identified by the Superintendent of Student Services or the Director of Education;
- c) Medical reasons as certified by a doctor and approved by the Senior Manager of Administrative Services or the Director of Education.

In accordance with the procedures manual and appropriate documentation supportive of such request(s).

**3. MIDDAY TRANSPORTATION**

Midday Transportation may be provided if students have been identified for early facilitation or modified days, where they would normally qualify for regular transportation and where the school they are requested to attend does not offer ½ day programs.

Further the Board may provide midday transportation to students who are attending a “holding school” and who normally qualify for regular transportation and where the school they are requested to attend does not offer an alternate day program.

**4. SECTION 20 TRANSPORTATION**

Whereas Section 20 pupils are not resident pupils of the board, the Board may offer transportation to a Section 20 program within the region in accordance with the funding that is received from the Ministry of Education or other Ministry or as the Superintendent of Student Services or the Director of Education deems appropriate.

Attempts will be made to accommodate service level requests in the most cost efficient manner.

**5. FACILITIES AND PROGRAMS OUTSIDE THE REGION**

Transportation may be provided to programs and/or facilities outside the Region of York in accordance with the funding that is received from the Ministry of Education or other Ministry or as the Superintendent of Student Services or the Director of Education deems appropriate.

**6. PROVINCIAL SCHOOLS**

Transportation shall be provided in accordance with the documented request from a provincial school in accordance with the funding that is received from the Ministry of Education or other Ministry.

**7. TEMPORARY TRANSPORTATION**

Requests for transportation may be provided for a temporary period due to illness, injury or medical procedures to the student's home school, if such service is available and has space. Requests for temporary transportation shall be made on S9 accompanied by an S9A forms via their school administration to Student Transportation Services.

Other temporary transportation for care or treatment outside the home school boundary shall be provided in accordance with the funding that is received from the Ministry of Education or other Ministry or as the Superintendent of Student Services or Director of Education deems appropriate.

**DEFINITION OF A TRANSPORTATION ZONE:**

"An area designated by the Board where pupils are eligible to receive home to school transportation".

**DEFINITION OF NON-TRANSPORTATION ZONE:**

"An area designated by the Board as an area where pupils are not eligible to receive home to school transportation".