

**STUDENT TRANSPORTATION**

**General Policy, Transportation Coordinator and Determination of Residency**

The Lafayette Regional School District will, make available transportation services to all regular education resident students grades K-12 at Lafayette Regional School and Profile School, who live at least 2 miles from their assigned school.

The Principal will fulfill the duties of Transportation Coordinator as described in this and other applicable Board policies.

Residency is determined under RSA 193:12. For children with parent/guardians residing in separate households, residency will be determined pursuant to RSA 193:12, I (a)(2) and, when applicable, parenting plans established under RSA 461-A. In such circumstances, the District is not required to provide transportation beyond the designated attendance area for the school to which the child is assigned, or beyond the geographical limits of the school district in which the child resides. Parents/guardians in such circumstances should contact the Superintendent's office with any questions or requests for special accommodations.

Pupils who attend chartered public or non-public schools shall be entitled to the same transportation privileges within the District as are provided for pupils in public school using the same routes and termination points as are established for students attending the District's schools.

Drivers may not load or unload pupils at other than authorized bus stops.

The District shall also provide transportation to, and pay transportation costs for, all students who reside in the District and attend a regional career and technical education center, or who attend an alternative program at a regional career and technical education center or other comprehensive high school. The Superintendent is responsible for recovering such transportation costs per RSA 199-E:8.

**Establishment and Appeal of Routes, Schedules, and Stops**

The Transportation Coordinator will work with the Contracted Carrier to establish bus routes, schedules and stops. Routes will be developed annually and posted.

Parents who wish to request a change or exemption from any of the Board transportation policies, including bus routes or bus stops, shall direct that request first to the Contracted Carrier. If the parent/guardian is not satisfied by the ruling of the Contracted Carrier, he/she may appeal the ruling within five days to the Principal. If the parent/guardian is not satisfied with the ruling of the Principal, he/she may appeal in writing within five days to the Superintendent.

### **Authorized Transportation Providers**

The District authorizes students to be transported to school or school activities via school bus drivers, and to school activities via contracted carriers. See Policy EEAE for details.

All other authorized transportation of students must be in accordance with Policy EEAG.

### **Student Conduct on School Buses**

Bus drivers have the responsibility to maintain orderly behavior of students on school buses and will report, in writing, misconduct to the student's Principal.

Students who violate regulations for student conduct may have bus riding privileges suspended. Such suspensions are in addition to other interventions or disciplinary consequences provided under the Student Code of Conduct and such other applicable Board policies and District or school rules and regulations. Parents/guardians may appeal transportation suspensions to the Principal.

### **Legal References:**

RSA 188-E:8, Career and Technical Education; Transportation  
RSA 189:6, Transportation of Pupils  
RSA 189:8, Limitations and Additions  
RSA 189:9, Pupils in Private Schools  
RSA 189:9-a, Pupils Prohibited for Disciplinary Reasons  
RSA 193:12, Legal Residency Required  
RSA 194-B:2, V, Chartered Public Schools; Establishment  
RSA 376:2, VII, Motor Carriage of Passengers  
RSA 461-A, Parental Rights and Responsibilities

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