

MONONA GROVE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board Policy 751

STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

Student transportation is a necessary service and an integral part of the total educational program. The time students spend on school buses exerts an important influence on the physical and emotional condition, which students bring to the classroom. The major objectives of the student transportation program are to:

1. Provide safe transportation.
2. Maintain a climate on the buses, which is conducive to the emotional, social and physical well being of students.
3. Adapt transportation to the requirements of the instructional program.
4. Operate an efficient, economical transportation system.

The Monona Grove School District shall provide transportation to and from school for pre-kindergarten through grade 12 students who reside within district boundaries as follows:

Pre-Kindergarten– Transportation shall be provided for all pre-kindergarten students regardless of the distance from school. Students may be required to walk a reasonable distance to the bus stop, but in no case more than .2 of a mile. In rare instances, this distance may be increased due to safety hazards. It is the intent of the district to pick up students outside of the city/village limits at the end of the driveway provided there are no safety hazards and there is available safe bus turnaround areas.

Kindergarten Through Grade Four – Transportation shall be provided for all grade kindergarten through four students who live two (2) miles or more from their school of attendance. Students may be required to walk a reasonable distance to the bus stop, but in no case more than .2 of a mile. It is the intent of the district to pick up students outside of the city/village limits at the end of the driveway provided there are no safety hazards and there is available safe bus turnaround areas.

Parents/guardians of students in grades kindergarten through four who live less than 2 miles from their school of attendance may request that their child(ren) be allowed to ride the school bus. Parents/guardians of such children riding the bus shall be charged a transportation user fee.

Grades Five through 12 – Transportation shall be provided for all grade five through 12 students who live two or more miles from their school of attendance. Students may be required to walk a reasonable distance to the bus stop, but no more than one-half mile.

Parents/guardians of students in grades five through 12 who live less than two miles from their school of attendance may request that their child(ren) be allowed to ride the school bus. Parents/guardians of such children riding the bus shall be charged transportation user fees.

Students Living in Areas of Unusual Hazard – Transportation shall be provided as outlined in the “Plan for Unusual Transportation Hazards” to students who live in a designated hazardous transportation area. These hazardous transportation areas are designated by the Dane County Sheriff’s Department and shall be used according to sheriff department guidelines.

Students with Disabilities – Students with disabilities shall be transported as required by their individualized educational program (IEP). The district may provide temporary transportation for students not otherwise entitled to transportation services for reason of temporary disability. The final approval of

BOARD APPROVAL:

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