

# Business and Non-instructional Operations

## Transportation of Students

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### Parent/Guardian Responsibility

- a. Students not transported by Board-approved vehicles: Within the school district assigned to a student, and based on the distance between the location where a student leaves the supervision of parents, guardians or care-takers and the student's assigned school, some students may be classified as 'walkers.' It is the responsibility of those charged with the care of such students to assure their safety until the student is on school property. It is also their responsibility to assure the safety of such students after the student leaves school property. The Board of Education is not responsible for providing vehicular transportation for any student who is placed under the care or supervision of persons at facilities outside their assigned school district.
- b. Students transported by Board-approved vehicles: For students who are to be transported by bus or other vehicles *authorized by the Board of Education*, it is the responsibility of the parents, guardians or designated care-takers to see to the safety of the students until the student enters the assigned vehicle at the designated point. It is also the responsibility of the parents, guardians, or care-takers to assure the safety of the student when the student, returning from school, leaves the bus/vehicle.
- c. Students transported by parents, guardians, care-takers or others: In no instance is the school system responsible for students who are brought to their assigned school before that school is officially open for students to enter.
- d. Parents should make sure that children reach the school bus stop at least five minutes prior to the scheduled bus pick-up.
- e. Parents should accompany younger students to the bus stop for the first few days or as long as they deem necessary. Parents are responsible for students' behavior at the bus stop and should periodically monitor this.

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#### **Parents should instruct children to:**

- a. walk facing traffic, if they must walk on the highway.
- b. look both ways before crossing the highway.
- c. wait on the shoulder, off the pavement.
- d. behave responsibly at the bus stops and on the bus.