

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO.22 (VERNON)

BOARD POLICY NO: 770

Transportation Authority and Responsibilities	
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The *School Act* does not require Boards of Education to provide student transportation services, however the Board is committed to providing subsidized transportation services that are inclusive, safe and cost-effective.

It is a parent's responsibility to determine how their children will safely travel to and from school or to and from the bus pick up and drop off locations. The District provided transportation services are one option.

The Board is responsible for the safety of students while being transported by school bus.

The Board is not responsible for the safety of the route the student may travel to and from the school or bus stop.

Guidelines

1. The Board authorizes the Secretary Treasurer to:
 - 1.1. Determine school transportation areas within the District;
 - 1.2. Manage the student transportation system in accordance with legislated regulatory requirements, district administrative procedures for transportation, educational needs, and within the fiscal mandate of the Board; and
 - 1.3. Authorize school bus routes.
2. Students are expected to follow all school, transportation and District expectations in accordance with Board policy, district administrative procedures and school policy.
3. The school bus driver is authorized to cancel a trip when, in their opinion, the current road conditions are unsafe and continuation of the trip presents a hazard to students on the bus; and drive the bus and its riders to a location where a school or district-based administrator can take appropriate action if there are concerns regarding discipline, safety or other exceptional circumstances.