## TRANSPORTATION ROUTES AND SERVICES

The School Board shall approve transportation routes and services based upon student needs and a continuing assessment of financial resources, including district funds and state reimbursements. Districts will use the most cost efficient methods when developing and establishing regular and special education routes and engaging in other transportation related services. Transportation shall be provided for students living at least one and one-half miles from school. Special education routes will be established without regard to distance.

The Board may designate hazardous transportation routes within the minimum walking distance when such routes are unsafe.

Instead of extending existing transportation routes or establishing new routes, the District may establish in-lieu-of agreements to reimburse parents for transporting their children at approved rates and under approved conditions.

(Cf. 3540- Transportation)

The district will timely submit to the Department of Education and Early Development all transportation reports required by law.

All contracts for pupil transportation awarded by the School Board will be based on the competitive proposal process and meet minimum standards as required by law.

(cf. 3541.2 - Transportation for Special Education Students) (cf. 3541.5 - Alternative Transportation Arrangements)

Legal Reference:

<u>UNITED STATES CODE</u> 49 U.S.C. §§ 30101, et seq.

<u>ALASKA STATUTES</u> 14.09.010 Transportation of pupils

<u>ALASKA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE</u> 4 AAC 27.006-27.951 Pupil transportation

Added 9/2015 Reviewed 3/2021