BP 3541.5 Alternative Transportation Arrangements

Note: The School Board following option is intended to address the unique transportation needs of some students.

The Superintendent or designee may reimbursecreate reimbursement agreements with parents/guardians in lieu of district transportation whenever such practice when it is more economical to do so.

Note: State regulation previously provided that if student travel time exceeds two hours per day, parent/guardian permission is required or the parent/guardian may select other reasonable and available educational or transportation alternatives. That regulation has been repealed. Districts may retain a two hour standard, select a different standard, or remove a maximum ride standard altogether. 4 AAC 27.032 provides the following limitations on in-lieu-of agreements: 1) unless the child is a special education student, the student's residence must be more than a mile and a half from both the nearest regular bus route and the student's attendance center; 2) the per-mail mile rate may not exceed the maximum reimbursement rate paid to district employees; and 3) reimbursement must be based on the actual miles traveled, not the number of students transported.

The Superintendent or designee will obtain the parent/guardian's acknowledgement to confirm alternative transportation/education arrangements when a student's designated travel time exceeds two hours per day.

(cf. 6181 - Correspondence Study Program) (cf. 6182 - Secondary Boarding Program)

Legal Reference:

<u>ALASKA STATUTES</u>

<u>14.09.010</u>Transportation of pupils

14.30.347 Transportation of exception children

ALASKA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

<u>4 AAC 09.050</u>Secondary Boarding Programs

<u>4 AAC 27.990</u>Definitions

4 AAC 27.032 In-lieu-of agreements

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