

**ENFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION  
ENFIELD, CONNECTICUT**

**TRANSPORTATION OF PRIVATE SCHOOL  
STUDENTS OUT-OF-TOWN**

**3545.2**

The Board of Education is not obligated to provide transportation to private/parochial students attending school outside the district's boundaries. However, these students may be eligible for bus transportation under the following conditions:

1. A bus is currently transporting public school students to the town in which the private/parochial student is enrolled in school. Under no circumstances will a request be considered if there is no current transportation of public school students to that town or if that transportation is eliminated.
2. Seats are available on the bus. In the event public student numbers on that bus increases, private/parochial students may be bumped from the bus to accommodate the public school students. Bumping will occur on a "last one on, first one off" basis.
3. The bus will not alter its calendar for operating/scheduling, extend its route, or make additional stops along its route to accommodate private/parochial students. These students will need to board and exit the bus at the predetermined stops on the days that it is operating and scheduled.
4. Riding is a privilege. Misconduct may result in the loss of that privilege.
5. Seat availability for private/parochial students will be made after the placement of all public school students. Seat availability will be on a first come first serve basis for private/parochial students. If the bus fills to capacity, no additional bus will be brought into service to accommodate private/parochial school pupils.
6. In the event this policy is challenged, the Board of Education may elect not to enter into litigation to defend it.
7. All applicable bus rules and regulations will apply to these students.
8. In the event the pupil is requesting a seat on a special education vehicle, the Director of Pupil Services must approve the request, after considering its affect on the handicapped students being transported.
9. The Board of Education retains the sole and exclusive authority to rule on appeals to this policy. The Board's decision shall be final and binding.
10. Requests for transportation of private/parochial school students out-of-town should be made through the transportation office.

- 51 11. Parents of private/parochial students will be required to sign a statement  
52 agreeing to the conditions set forth in this policy as a term of their child riding  
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