

STUDENT FEES

Policy Code: **4600**

Beginning July 1, 2012 the fee for Driver's Education Instruction will be \$45.00 per student. This charge is due to the reduction in state funding.

The board will continue to attempt to hold student fees to a minimum.

Legal References: N.C. Const. art. IX, §2(1); G.S. 115C-47(6), -384

Cross References: Parental Involvement (policy 1310/4002)

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The superintendent or designee shall develop school bus routes in accordance with state law and regulations. All bus routes will be on file in the superintendent's office, and all changes will be filed within 10 days after such change becomes effective.

Students ordinarily will be assigned to a bus that passes within one mile of the student's residence. To the extent practicable and economically feasible, ride time should be less than 45 minutes one way.

A. TRANSPORTATION TO LOCATIONS OTHER THAN HOME

Upon request, the superintendent or designee may, but is not required to, assign a student to a bus to transport the student to and/or from a location other than home if the following conditions are met:

1. The student's parent or guardian submits a written request that states the specific location other than home to which the student is to be transported and acknowledges that the parent or guardian and not the school system is responsible for the student's safety once the child has departed from the bus;
2. The request for such transportation does not require a bus to deviate in any significant way from an established route;
3. There is capacity on the bus if the request would necessitate the students riding a different bus from the regularly assigned bus;
4. The student's residence and requested bus stop are within the zone eligible for transportation service;
5. The request for such transportation does not cause the school district to incur any additional cost; and
6. The proposed bus stop meets safety standards established by law, the board, the superintendent or the principal.

Any changes in bus stops must be approved by the superintendent or designee.

B. BUS ROUTES IN HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS

School buses will not be allowed to operate if there is a serious threat to the safety of students or drivers. The superintendent may develop a more limited

bus route for hazardous weather conditions in order to operate only on roads that are safe. To the extent possible, parents will be notified in advance of the bus route that will be used in hazardous conditions. The hazardous conditions bus route will be on file in the superintendent's office.

A student who is identified as having special needs following procedures in the North Carolina *Policies Governing Services for Children with Disabilities* will be provided with transportation services as required by law.

Legal References: Individuals with Disabilities Education Act Amendments of 1997, 20 U.S.C. 1400 *et seq.*; G.S. 115C-240(d), -246; *Policies Governing Services for Children with Disabilities*, State Board of Education Policy HSP-D-000; State Board of Education Policies TCS-H-000,-002,-006.

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