

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 51 (BOUNDARY)

P O L I C Y

SECTION	TITLE	NO. 5091
STUDENTS	<u>Bus Transportation & Walk Limits</u>	

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BUS TRANSPORTATION

School District No. 51 (Boundary) is a rural district. Safe bus transportation plays a key role in student learning.

It is the parents' 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.

In accordance with the School Act, bus transportation for students to use in going to and from school is provided at the discretion of the Board. It will be dictated by Ministry funding guidelines, available funding, and the need for operational efficiencies. It is recognized that bus transportation routes will not suit the requests of all parents.

R E G U L A T I O N S

1. School bus transportation may be provided free of charge to:
 - a) A primary (K-3) student residing more than 4.0 kilometres from his/her neighbourhood catchment area school; or
 - b) A student in grades 4-12 residing more than 4.8 kilometres from his/her neighbourhood catchment area school.

These distances shall be measured from the nearest passable road to a public school in which there is a grade and placement for the student(s).

Bus services are sometimes provided to students within the walk limits as a courtesy, providing there is available seating on the bus and time in the schedule. Should overcrowding occur, these students will be denied bus transportation.

2. Bus routes will be reviewed annually with emphasis on safety and efficient use of resources.
3. Student behaviour is a significant factor in bus safety. Codes of Student Conduct apply when riding school buses. Also, students who ride buses will be asked to sign a [bus riding contract](#) each year.