

GENERAL TRANSPORTATION POLICIES FOR DANSVILLE SCHOOLS

Students of Dansville Schools will be provided transportation to and from school for classes if they live more than three quarters of a mile from the school. Parents or guardians of students who live less than three quarters of a mile from the school will be responsible for providing transportation for their students, or those students may walk to school.

Exception: Due to the amount and speed of traffic on Michigan State Highway 36 (M 36) and the lack of sidewalks, transportation to and from school for classes will be provided for those students within three quarters of a mile from the school who live on M 36 west of Dakin Street (the street running between M 36 and the Elementary School).

Designation of up to two (2) pick up/drop off locations per student may be allowed in order to accommodate home schedules. Special accommodations may be made for early release days. In order to minimize possible expense, time, capacity and safety concerns, parents or guardians are to provide transportation for any additional pick up/drop off locations.

To give parents and guardians sufficient planning time, the Superintendent or his/her representative is authorized to establish Kindergarten routes prior to the end of the current school year for the following school year. When there are morning and afternoon classes, and thus morning and afternoon routes, parents or guardians need to provide the Elementary School office the address from which their student is to be picked up and dropped off. The Superintendent or his/her representative are expected to use this information to help determine in which class and bus route the student will be assigned. This information is to be used to determine the most economical, timely and safe routes to transport students. The Board recognizes there are practical class size limitations such that it may not be practical for Kindergarten students to be moved from morning to afternoon classes (and vice versa), especially after school has started. The Superintendent or his/her representative is authorized to make that determination.

It is expected that bus routes will not change during the school year, due to disruptions that may cause. The Superintendent or his/her representative may require parents or guardians of students who wish to change their pick up/drop off locations to find such a location along an existing bus route where there is seating capacity.

Schools of Choice students will be provided transportation as described above, but also must meet the following requirements:

- The pick up/drop off location must be a currently used in-district location, or be along a current bus route.
- The bus must have sufficient seating space to accommodate the Schools of Choice students.
- Prior approval must be received by the Transportation Department.

If the second requirement cannot be met, the Transportation Department is to provide information as to which routes (if any) do have seating capacity to accommodate the students. It is expected that bus routes will not be changed to accommodate Schools of Choice students.

For students who will not be provided transportation under these policies, the Superintendent or his/her representative is authorized to work with State, County and Local officials as needed to address transportation concerns of these students as a good neighbor. The District assumes no responsibility for the safe transportation of these students.

The Superintendent or his/her representative will develop handbooks for students and employees of the district to aid in implementation of these policies. These handbooks will be reviewed and updated periodically. Input from employees of the district, parents and students is encouraged to ensure the best transportation outcomes possible.