

6A:27-1.4 Students who shall be transported

(a) Transportation shall be provided to public school students who reside remote from their assigned school of attendance, nonpublic school students who reside remote from their school of attendance and meet the eligibility criteria of N.J.A.C. 6A:27-2.2, and special education students who reside remote from their assigned school or who require transportation services in accordance with their individualized education program (IEP). Transportation shall also be provided to preschool students who live remote from their school of attendance and either are enrolled in a universal preschool program or meet the age and income eligibility requirements of and are enrolled in a targeted preschool program pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7F-43 et seq.

1. The words “remote from the school of attendance” shall mean beyond two and one-half miles for high school students (grades nine through 12) and beyond two miles for elementary school students (grades preschool through eight).

2. For the purpose of determining eligibility for student transportation, measurement shall be made by the shortest route along public roadways or public walkways between the entrance of the student’s residence nearest such public roadway or public walkway and the nearest public entrance of the school which the student attends.

(b) Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:39-1c, transportation need not be provided if a student’s parent or guardian signs a written statement waiving transportation services for the school year.

1. District boards of education shall develop a policy for the provision of transportation services to the student in the case of a family or economic hardship, 3 and may develop guidelines and procedures for parental waivers of transportation services.