

<p style="text-align: center;"><i>TUSD</i> Tucson, Arizona GOVERNING BOARD POLICY</p>	POLICY TITLE: Student Transportation in School Buses
	POLICY CODE: EEA

Tucson Unified School District buses are for the transportation of District resident students on established routes. However, parents, teachers and other authorized persons may be permitted to ride school buses when supervising students on scheduled field trips and excursions.

For the safety of all bus riders, the good conduct of students riding District provided transportation is expected and required. Misbehavior must be promptly reported to the appropriate school principal, who has the authority to suspend District provided transportation privileges. Parents in such cases must be notified prior to suspension.

For purposes of this policy, distance is determined by using the most direct route.

Except as required by Federal Law, transportation will not be provided if the student is within walking distance of the school. Walking distance is defined below:

1. 1 ½ miles from school for students attending an elementary or K-8 school.
2. 2 ½ miles from school for students attending a middle or high school.

If School Safety determines that a walkway poses greater than normal danger on the way to and from school for students who are within walking distance, the District may provide transportation to these students as long as the danger continues.

District resident students attending a school other than their attendance zone school must provide their own transportation unless they qualify for one of the other transportation programs.

Students receiving Exceptional Education services or accommodation pursuant to Section 504 will be provided transportation in connection with transportation service as set forth in the Individualized Education Plan (IEP) or Section 504 Accommodation Plan.

Public Transportation may be used for middle and high school students where appropriate.

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