

TRANSPORTATION POLICY

The Transportation Department of the Acton and Acton-Boxborough Regional Schools authorizes transportation of resident pupils to and from the authorized schools of attendance as defined by the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in Chapter 71, Sec. 7A, Chapter 71, Sec. 68, and Chapter 71B, Sec. 8.

In accordance with the above statutes, any resident school pupil will be transported to and from the school which he/she attends at the beginning and at the end of the school day if that school is beyond the distance specified in subparagraphs A, B, C, and D, but is not more than forty-five (45) minutes of travel time, as measured by school bus, from the designated collection point in the area of residence to the school of attendance. Transportation will be provided in a safe, expedient and economical manner using public school collection points, routes and schedules to the following:

- A. Pupils enrolled in Kindergarten and grades 1-3 are eligible for transportation to and from school, with pick-up points at the nearest safe street location to the particular student's home.
- B. Pupils enrolled in grades 4-6 living more than 1 mile from the school of attendance are eligible for transportation to and from school.
- C. Pupils enrolled in grades 7-12 living more than 2 miles from the school of attendance are eligible for transportation to and from school.
- D. Transportation shall be provided as required by law for those attending special education programs recommended by our Department of Pupil Services and physically handicapped children and mentally handicapped adults.
- E. Transportation shall be provided where an extraordinary hazard is determined to exist by the administration.
- F. Transportation for approved extracurricular trips may be provided by employees of the Acton and Acton-Boxborough Regional School District if such transportation does not interfere with regular transportation runs.