LAWS AND REQUIREMENTS FOR FUNDED ROUTES

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53A-17a-127 Eligibility for state-supported transportation

(4) (a) Approved bus routes for funding purposes shall be determined on fall data collected by October 1.

(b) Approved route funding shall be determined on the basis of the most efficient and economic routes.
STUDENT ELIGIBILITY

R277-600-4

(2) Eligibility for Regular Ed. Students

- Elementary (K-6) = 1.5 miles from school
- Secondary (7-12) = 2.0 miles from school

(6) Measured from the middle of the public route in front of student’s home to the middle of the public route opposite the nearest entrance to the school grounds

- Private lanes, roads, etc. do not count in these measurements
A student whose IEP identifies transportation as a necessary related service is eligible for transportation regardless of distance from the school attended by assignment of the local school board.

A student who attends school for at least one-half day at a location other than the local school board designated school is not eligible for transportation for distances up to one and one-half miles.
ELIGIBLE STUDENT STOPS

R277-600-6.6 Students are responsible to get themselves to the bus stop up to 1.5 miles from their home.

R277-600-7 Alternative Transportation

- Identify if alternative method of transporting students is more efficient.
- Students may be reimbursed for the mileage to the assigned bus stop or school.
- Multipurpose vehicles are approved costs as long as the costs demonstrate efficiency.
R277-600-6

(3) A bus route shall:

• (a) traverse the most direct public route;
• (b) be reasonably cost-effective in comparison to other feasible alternatives;
• (c) provide adequate safety for students;
• (d) traverse roads that are constructed and maintained in a manner that does not cause property damage; and
• (e) include an economically appropriate number of students.
QUALIFYING RULES / ROUTE APPROVAL

• Provide Safety, be economic and efficient (53A-17a-127)

• To promote efficiency, the USOE approved minimum distance between bus stops is 3/10 of a mile. The USOE may approve shorter distances between bus stops for student safety. (State Standards 2010)