



BOARD OPERATIONS	
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## TRANSPORTATION

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### POLICY STATEMENT:

WHEREAS the Halton District School Board, understands there are conditions which warrant provision of transportation for certain pupils and understands that parents share in the responsibility for the safety and welfare of their children, and realizes that an appeal process should be available to resolve disagreements.

### THEREFORE

1. The Board will provide transportation for registered Halton District School Board pupils who, because of distance from school, Board-approved programs, hazardous walking conditions, physical disabilities or as otherwise determined by Board staff, to get to school safely.
2. Transportation privileges may be withdrawn at any time if student responsibilities are not met.
3. The following distances determine eligibility for home to school transportation:

#### Urban Areas:

Grades K-8	more than 1.6 km
Grades 9-age 21	more than 3.2 km

#### Rural Areas:

K- age 21	more than 1.6 km (1 mile) or less based on safety considerations
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The home to school distance calculation is measured using the municipal road centre line on public roads or walkways from the closest property line of the student's primary address to the closest property line of their board designated school of attendance; this includes townhouse, condominium and other multi residential complexes with one municipal address. The home to school distance calculation is measured using Ministry approved software with the base map provided by the Region of Halton.

4. An appeal process will be used for the resolution of disputes regarding transportation eligibility, including distance eligibility, hazardous walking conditions or physical disabilities.
5. The Board recognizes it may be necessary to alter transportation services as a result of safety or operational concerns, or in order to accommodate the validated needs of students and/or their parent(s)/guardian(s) because of their identification with a ground or grounds under the Ontario Human Rights Code, (race, ancestry, place of origin, colour, ethnic origin, citizenship, creed, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, age, marital status, family status, or disability).

#### **Related Administrative Procedures**

*Halton Student Transportation Services – Operating Procedure HS-1-002 – Transportation Eligibility*

*Halton Student Transportation Services – Operating Procedure HS-3-014 Process for Appealing Decisions*