



## AP 550 – TRANSPORTATION OF STUDENTS TO SCHOOLS

### BACKGROUND

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Saskatoon Public Schools promotes independent and active student transportation as part of a healthy lifestyle. The division approves the provision of transportation services in accordance with this principle, with legislation and in accordance with the following procedures.

### PROCEDURES

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1. Determination of Eligibility for Transportation
  - 1.1. Parents and guardians of elementary students who reside within the attendance area of an elementary school shall be responsible for transportation of students to the elementary school, unless otherwise provided for by this procedure. See Administrative Procedure 305: School Attendance Areas.
  - 1.2. The school division may establish a walk boundary within the attendance area of an elementary school. Students residing outside the walk boundary are eligible for transportation. Students who live within the walk boundary are not eligible for transportation.
  - 1.3. Walk boundaries may be established, from time to time, by the school division taking into account the following criteria:
    - 1.3.1. distance from the school
    - 1.3.2. safety concerns and traffic patterns
    - 1.3.3. enrolment and program considerations
  - 1.4. Walk boundaries for each school will be made available at each school. Parents or guardians may contact the school for information about walk boundaries.
2. Transportation Programs
  - 2.1. Transportation may be provided for elementary students to programs that may be designated from time to time as “Programs Eligible for Transportation” taking into account the following criteria:
    - 2.1.1. unique nature of program
    - 2.1.2. legislated requirements
    - 2.1.3. availability of facilities to provide programs
3. Students identified by the Special Education Branch as requiring intensive support and who need assistance to get to school may be offered transportation as part of a student accommodation plan. The transportation plan will be determined by Transportation Services jointly with Special Education Branch.



4. All transportation shall be provided in the manner set by the school division based on the specific requirements of the route or program.

Reference: Section 85(k), 194, 195, 196, 197, *The Education Act 1995*;  
Section 44, *The Education Regulations 2015*;  
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