

STUDENT TRANSPORTATION: BUS ROUTES AND STOPS

The SAU staff under the direction of the Superintendent shall establish bus routes and stops. These routes and stops will be developed in conjunction with the transportation contractor and the school administration. Routes will be over the most direct roads practicable for bus travel. Routes will be designed to employ the full carrying capacity of each bus trip and to minimize the time students spend in transit. Children who live less than three-quarters (3/4) of a mile from the elementary school will be transported at the parents' request, if, in the opinion of the Superintendent of Schools, the children are required to walk over a hazardous route or their age or health preclude walking.

Authorized bus stops shall be located at convenient intervals in safe locations. Bus stop locations must be sited so that pupils can be safely loaded or unloaded, cross highways and await arrival of buses based on road conditions, terrain and visibility. The number of bus stops on each trip shall be limited to facilitate shorter riding times for students. Changes in designated bus stops may be made only by the Superintendent or Schools.

Marion Cross School students may, upon written permission of their parents and with the consent of the school principal, be transported to places other than their own residence provided that the capacity of the bus is not exceeded, the bus is not required to make additional stops, and the request is submitted in advance in accordance with guidelines in the Marion Cross School Parent Handbook.

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