

## **STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES**

Transportation shall be provided for all students enrolled in Raymond Schools, K-8, from a scheduled bus stop.

Students living on unapproved town roads or unimproved roads will be transported from the designated bus stop on a main road to school. If a student resides in a location remote from and inaccessible to schools or public roads, the student's parents shall be responsible for providing transportation to the school or to a bus stop on a public road.

Exceptions to the above shall be made for the following reasons only:

A. Health

Exceptions may be made for students with disabilities as required by their IEP or Individual Health Plan (504 Plan). Exceptions may also be made to accommodate a student's need for transportation with written documentation from the student's physician.

B. Kindergarten Students

Kindergarten bus service will include pick-up and delivery to the home, providing a suitable bus turn is available.

C. Hazardous Walking Conditions

Hazardous walking conditions shall be defined as those which would place a child of a given age in a situation of greater than normal or average danger.

Authorized bus stops will be located so as to load and unload students with the most safety allowed by road conditions. The distance between stops may vary according to safety factors. If possible, students will be loaded and unloaded so that it is not necessary for them to cross a main highway to reach their homes.

Transportation shall be provided or arranged for Raymond high school students only to those school districts with whom Raymond has contracted. Transportation to all other high schools will be the responsibility of the student's parent or guardian.

Requests for bus stops, inconsistent with this policy must be made in writing and submitted to the Superintendent for Board consideration.

Legal Reference: 20-A MRSA § 5401

Cross Reference: JICC - Student Conduct on School Buses

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