

WALKERS AND RIDERS

The Board authorizes the administration to provide regular school bus transportation to and from school for the following categories:

- Students with disabilities who require transportation, as indicated in their respective individual education programs including three (3) and four (4) year-old developmentally disabled children.
- Students living within a two (2) mile radius of the school where hazardous or difficult routes exist and where other arrangements cannot be provided.
- Students who are residents within a school attendance area and:
 - If students in grades kindergarten through six (6), live more than one (1) mile from the school.
 - If students in grades seven (7) through nine (9), live more than a mile and a half (1 1/2) from the school.
 - If students in grades ten (10) through twelve (12), live more than two (2) miles from the school.
- Transportation for homeless students and foster children to their school of enrollment, if it is the school of origin, will be arranged as needed by the school liaison or contact person for ~~homeless students~~ those students. However, foster children must first have an Educational Best Interest Determination (EBID) meeting held on their behalf before any transportation arrangements/accommodations are made. EBID meetings are initiated by the Children Youth and Families Department (CYFD) and must include the foster parents as well as representative(s) from CYFD, the receiving school district, the sending school district, and any other person deemed essential to the meeting at CYFD's discretion.

Upon proof of need by the Superintendent and as specified in statute 22-16-4 NMSA, up to six students whose residences are five (5) or more miles from their school or schools of enrollment, may be transported to and from school by means of a school-owned sport utility vehicle, driven by a school employed certified activity driver, in accord with the safety rules of the Public Education Department.

Transportation Zones

The following stipulations will define bus transportation zones and other items that may affect students in open enrollment.

Student(s) who select the freedom of choice alternative in school attendance, and commute from

