

POLICY TITLE: Student Transportation – Student Eligibility/Employees or Parents as Passengers		
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I. Purpose

The purposes of this policy are to establish regulations regarding students' eligibility for bus transportation and to specify who may ride on school buses.

II. Definitions

Bus transportation means transportation provided by Harford County Public Schools (HCPS) in an approved vehicle free of charge to an HCPS student or other approved person.

III. Policy Statement

- A. Elementary school students enrolled in a public elementary school in Harford County who reside more than one mile from the school which they attend are eligible for bus transportation. Secondary students who reside more than one and one-half miles from the school which they attend are eligible for bus transportation.
- B. Employees of the Board of Education are permitted to ride buses providing bus transportation only when required pursuant to the performance of their jobs.
- C. Parents or other adults who are designated as chaperons may ride a bus providing bus transportation when the bus is being used for an educational field trip. Children of such parents or chaperones may not ride on the school bus during educational field trips at any time.
- D. Parents may not ride buses providing bus transportation except as provided in "C" above.
- E. Exceptions to the distance requirements set forth in "A" may be made by the Superintendent if she finds the application of the distance requirements will impose a unique hardship upon a student based on safety.

Board Approval Acknowledged By:

Patricia L. Skebeck

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