

**TRANSPORTATION OF PUPILS**

**Lakes International Language Academy uses Forest Lake Area Schools Bus transportation and all students living within Forest Lake District boundaries will be subject to the following policy.**

**I. Regular to and from School Transportation**

It shall be the policy of Independent School District No. 4116 to make available transportation services to all students given the following Forest Lake School District guidelines subject to be modified from time to time by the Forest Lake Schools:

- A. The Supervisor of Transportation shall establish bus stops and shall administer such bus stops in the following manner:
1. All students in grades kindergarten through 6 will be picked up and delivered at their driveways or designated bus stops.
  2. The Supervisor of Transportation is hereby authorized to designate bus stops as group pickup and delivery points whenever reasonable and practical.
    - a. Pupils in grades kindergarten through 6 may be expected to walk a distance not to exceed three-tenths (3/10's) of a mile.
  3. Bus stops may be designated on private property when serving an apartment complex or a mobile home park.
- B. Private driveways of less than three-tenths (3/10's) of a mile for grades kindergarten through 6 will not be entered. Private driveways greater than three-tenths (3/10's) of a mile shall only be entered after approval of the Supervisor of Transportation.
1. A private driveway entrance request form may be obtained from the Supervisor of Transportation.
  2. Consideration for approval will be based upon distance, maintenance level of the driveway and adequacy of the bus turnaround area.

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- C. School bus routes are initially established to provide essential student “to and from school” transportation services. Students assigned to a given school bus route shall be authorized to only ride that particular school bus route. Parents who desire a temporary route change shall make such request in writing to the Director. The Director is authorized to only approve such temporary changes or requests within the load capacity of the assigned school bus and further provided the change causes no deviation from the regular bus route.
- D. The Supervisor of Transportation shall approve all child care facilities’ addresses as a bus stop.
  - 1. Parents desiring to enroll their children in the facility shall apply for a change in pickup and/or delivery address pursuant to Item 8 of this Policy.
- E. This policy is not intended to negate state traffic laws, State Board of Education regulations or generally held safety rules.
- F. The Director is hereby authorized to deviate from the above policy rules when these rules are found to be impractical or unreasonable to implement given a particular situation.

## **II. Handicapped Transportation**

- A. Handicapped students will be transported on “regular to and from school routes” whenever this service appropriately meets the students’ needs.
  - 1. Generally, all rules applying to the mainstream students will likewise apply to handicapped students transported in this manner.
- B. The School District schedules special handicapped bus routes for those students with specialized transportation needs.
  - 1. The extent of the services provided will be determined by the individual student’s needs.
- C. Students who become temporarily physically handicapped will be provided appropriate transportation based on the individual student’s needs.
- D. The School Board hereby delegates to the Director and/or his designee/s the authority necessary to carry out the intent of this School Board policy insofar as the transportation of handicapped students is concerned.

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