



NIPISSING-PARRY SOUND STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

Section Transportation – Eligibility	Revised April 11, 2016
EL – 002 Out of Zone Accommodations	
General Statement	<p>Recognizing that specific and/or exceptional situations may affect educational and transportation needs, out-of-zone students will be provided with transportation (i.e. from outside of the board-specified school boundaries) in accordance with the criteria outlined in this and related guidelines.</p> <p>Each of the member school boards of the Nipissing-Parry Sound Student Transportation Services (NPSSTS) has its own process for approving attendance and/or transportation for students living outside of the boundaries of their desired school and/or requesting transportation to and/or from a location outside of their school’s boundaries, other than home. Anyone seeking information on approval processes and procedures should contact the applicable school board.</p> <p>Note: approval to attend the desired school is not a guarantee of transportation. The responsibility of transporting students to and from school remains with the parents/guardians. Parents/guardians should be prepared to transport their children until they receive confirmation regarding any approved transportation arrangements through the NPSSTS.</p>
Operational Procedure	<p>Following receipt by the NPSSTS of the appropriate approval documentation, courtesy transportation may be arranged.</p> <p>Transportation is dependent on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) A school bus route already servicing the area in question; b) The availability of a vacant seat on the route in question; and c) If the student would be required to transfer school buses, the other route(s) must meet these criteria. <p>The route path or length of trip must not be altered when granting out of zone courtesy transportation. The student will be offered the closest stop on an existing route servicing the school.</p> <p>Transportation may be withdrawn at any time if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Seating is required for eligible students; b) Altering the route is necessary; or c) Student behaviour is unacceptable.