

# Williamson County Board of Education



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STUDENT TRANSPORTATION

1 The Transportation Director shall have the responsibility of scheduling bus routes in such fashion  
2 that riding time, overlap and duplication of services shall be minimal. If a parent chooses to send  
3 their child to another county school, the parents are required to provide transportation all the way to  
4 and from the school. The total transportation service and especially bus routes and student pick  
5 up points shall be reviewed annually to discover more economical means of transporting students  
6 to and from school. Bus routes shall begin officially at the point where the first eligible child is  
7 picked up.  
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10 No student shall be allowed to remain in transit to or from school on a school bus more than one  
11 and one-half hours in the morning or one and one-half hours in the afternoon.<sup>1</sup>  
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13 Day care centers will be considered the same as student domiciles in planning, scheduling, and  
14 designating pickup points within established school transportation zones for students enrolled in  
15 before-school and/or after-school programs at these day care centers.  
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17 Buses shall collect groups of students at convenient, but designated pick up points. Buses are not  
18 to pick up students house by house as this creates traffic congestion, results in unnecessary costs  
19 and requires too much time. Students whose driveway enters a public road less than one-half mile  
20 from an established route shall meet the bus at a designated point. Bus travel on private roads will  
21 be determined by the transportation director based upon safety factors and accessibility.  
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24 No student shall be charged a fee for the privilege of being transported with public funds to any  
25 public school.  
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27 No student in grades K-8 residing within the 9<sup>th</sup> Special School District will be transported by bus to  
28 any county school.  
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30 Only those persons authorized by the Board shall be entitled to ride a school bus. Those persons  
31 presently authorized are school system employees, students, or volunteers. All such volunteers  
32 and others shall be approved by the principal or supervisor by name and in writing with a list of  
33 same forwarded to and approved by the transportation director prior to their riding the bus.  
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36 Visitors of eligible students who desire to ride the bus to or from school may be transported only at  
37 the discretion of the principal. In no case, however, will visitors be transported when their presence  
38 will overload the bus, or when their conduct or presence may cause disturbance or dissension.  
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41 (Refer to procedures)  
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47 Legal Reference:  
48 TCA 49-6-2105  
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