

### **6A:27-1.3 Students who shall be transported**

- (a) District boards of education shall provide transportation to public school students who reside remote from their assigned school of attendance, nonpublic school students who reside remote from their school of attendance and meet the eligibility criteria of N.J.A.C. 2

6A:27-2.2, and students with disabilities who reside remote from their assigned school or who require transportation services in accordance with their individualized education program (IEP). District boards of education that receive State aid for preschool programs according to N.J.S.A. 18A:7F-54 shall also provide transportation to preschool students who live remote from their school of attendance.

1. For the purpose of determining eligibility for student transportation:

- i. "Remote" shall mean beyond two and one-half miles for high school students (grades nine through 12) and beyond two miles for elementary school students (preschool through grade eight).

- ii. Distance shall be measured using the shortest route along public roadways or public walkways between the entrance of the student's residence nearest the public roadway or public walkway and the nearest public entrance of the school the student attends.

- (b) Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:39-1c, transportation need not be provided if a student's parent(s) or legal guardian(s) signs a written statement waiving transportation services for the school year.

1. District boards of education shall develop a policy for the provision of transportation services to the student in the case of a family or economic hardship, and may develop guidelines and procedures for parental waivers of transportation services