

# FAQ NON-PUBLIC & CHARTER SCHOOLS

**1) I pay taxes, why don't I automatically get a bus?**

Your student may not be eligible for transportation. Certain criteria must be met before transportation can be offered. For more details, please see the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce's transportation handbook at the link below.

[Transportation Services for Chartered Nonpublic and Community Schools](#)

**2) How do I request transportation for my student(s)?**

Please complete the online form found at the link below to request transportation.

[Non-Public School Information](#)

**3) I can reach the school in my car in under 30 minutes from my house, why can't your bus make it?**

The timing is determined by driving a school bus from the public building to which the students would be assigned if attending the public school designated by the district of residence to the enrolled chartered nonpublic or community school. School buses must follow certain safety procedures which often increases the travel time for buses.

**4) Can you work with another district that transports to my school to transport us?**

Yes. We can request transportation from another school district. However, after their consideration of district resources and other requests for transportation, the response may not be favorable.

**5) My friend gets transportation in a van to our school; can we just go in the van with them?**

Transportation by van is not guaranteed as Olentangy does not employ van drivers. A van may be used on a case-by-case basis as an interim measure until mediation or arbitration is complete.

**6) You transport to the school my students attend, but I transport them. I don't need a bus; can I apply for a payment in lieu of transportation?**

You may only request transportation, not a payment-in-lieu of transportation. A payment in lieu of transportation will be offered after we determine it is impractical to transport your student. When a bus is provided, a payment is not made.