

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

TRANSPORTATION OF NONPUBLIC SCHOOLCHILDREN

(By authority of section 592 of Act No. 269 of the Public Acts of 1955, as amended, being S340.592 of the Michigan Compiled Laws)

R 340.281 Transporting students within district only; exceptions; private car.

Rule 1. (1) The following rules shall apply in the event a school district transports pupils within the district but does not transport public school pupils outside the district, other than the mentally handicapped, physically handicapped, or special education pupils:

(a) Resident nonpublic school pupils may be transported to points within the district for transportation out of the district to nonpublic schools. State aid allowances for such transportation shall be allowed the district for school bus travel within the district.

(b) Resident nonpublic school pupils may be transported to points within the district for re-transportation within the district to nonpublic schools. State aid allowances for such transportation shall be allowed to the district for the school bus travel.

(c) Should the shortest public route of travel of the school bus transporting both resident public and nonpublic school pupils require the school bus to travel from one part of the district through a portion of another district back into the district, the school district may transport nonpublic schoolchildren to and from the point along the regular route nearest or most accessible to a nonpublic school in the other district. State aid allowances for such transportation shall be allowed to the district for the school bus travel.

(d) The boards of education of school districts are not authorized to establish the attendance areas of nonpublic schools.

(e) Boards of education shall request in writing from nonpublic school officials the information necessary for planning for the transportation of nonpublic school children. Nonpublic school officials shall furnish the information requested in writing.

(f) Boards of education shall establish bus routes, bus time schedules, and school bus policies for all pupils transported.

(g) Boards of education shall review with the nonpublic school officials prior to opening of schools the routes, bus time schedules, and school bus policies established. The bus routes, bus time schedules, and bus policies may be modified by the board of education.

(h) The board of education of a school district may contract for transportation by private car for transportation of schoolchildren within the district whenever the board of education determines that the cost is excessive for transportation by bus of children living in locations isolated from their schools.

State allowances for private car transportation shall be actual cost but not more than:

\$35.00 for each pupil living 1 1/2 to 2 miles from his school.

\$40.00 for each pupil living 2 to 3 miles from his school.

\$45.00 for each pupil living 3 to 4 miles from his school.

\$50.00 for each pupil living 4 to 5 miles from his school.

\$55.00 for each pupil living 5 to 6 miles from his school.

\$60.00 for each pupil living 6 or more miles from his school.

(i) These rules shall become effective on July 1, 1964.

(2) Private car is a privately owned vehicle with a passenger capacity of 11 pupils or less.

History: 1979 AC.

R 340.282 Transporting resident pupils to schools outside district; private car.

Rule 2. (1) The following rules shall apply in the event a school district transports any of its resident pupils other than mentally handicapped, physically handicapped, or special education pupils, to schools outside of the district:

(a) Whenever a school district transports pupils from grades closed or not operated in the district to a school or schools outside of the district, it shall also transport nonpublic school pupils in the same grades to nonpublic schools outside of the district, at least to the distance of the public schools located outside of the district and in the same general direction.

(b) The board of education may contract for transportation by private car for transportation of schoolchildren outside the district whenever the board determines that the cost is excessive for transportation by bus of children living in isolated locations.

State allowances for private car transportation shall be actual cost but not more than:

\$35.00 for each pupil living 1 1/2 to 2 miles from his school.

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(c) Boards of education are not authorized to establish attendance areas of nonpublic schools.

(d) These rules shall become effective on July 1, 1964.

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History: 1979 AC.