

# Eugene School District 4J

Code: **EEA**

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Orig. Code(s): 5640.1; 5640.3

## Student Travel

### 1. Transportation To and From School

Transportation is provided for District 4J students who qualify as legal riders according to school board policy. For elementary students to receive bus transportation, they must reside one mile or more from school by the most direct route, as defined by Oregon Administrative Rule. For middle school students, transportation will be provided for those students who reside one and one-half miles or more from the school by the most direct route as defined by Oregon Administrative Rule.

High school transportation will not be provided for students who have available to them suitable and sufficient alternative transportation provided by Lane Transit District (LTD). High School students who reside more than one and one-half mile from school and from the nearest LTD route will be provided with district transportation.

Transportation may be provided for students who reside within the one or one and one-half mile limit for exceptionally hazardous walking conditions and for health and special education reasons. District-developed criteria for exceptionally hazardous conditions will include consideration of roadside walking conditions, street crossings, railroad crossings, and other significant safety factors. Exceptions must be included in the supplemental plan approved by the State Board of Education.

Elementary students residing within the one mile limit may fill empty seats on buses provided no change of route is required and permission is given by the transportation manager.

Students attending any private, parochial or public charter school under the compulsory school attendance laws will, where the private, parochial or public charter school is along or near the bus route, be provided equally the riding privileges given to public school students.

Students who become homeless and who continue to be district residents may be provided transportation to their school of origin within the constraints of the district's approved transportation budget.

Students eligible to ride the bus will be given a letter at the beginning of each school year explaining state and district school bus rules and regulations. In order for a student to become a legal bus rider, this letter must be signed by the student and his or her parent or legal guardian and returned to the bus driver within one week.

The building principal or designee shall ensure transportation officials receive notification of students having special medical or behavioral protocols identified in student records. Appropriate training and/or information related to specific medical/behavior protocols, including confidentiality requirements, will be provided to drivers.

2. Transportation Between Schools and Day-Care Facilities

It is the policy of the district to assist parents, whenever possible, in providing safe, responsible day care for their school-aged children during nonschool working hours. To this end, the district will make its school buses available to transport students between schools and day-care facilities, so long as the service provided is within the Oregon Department of Education guidelines for Approved Transportation or the service provided does not result in any significant additional costs to the District. The first priority for the use of district vehicles will be to day-care programs assisting low-income families.

The superintendent is responsible for establishing criteria and procedures to implement this policy.

END OF POLICY

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**Legal Reference(s):**

[ORS 327.006](#)  
[ORS 327.033](#)  
[ORS 327.043](#)  
[ORS 332.405](#)  
[ORS 332.415](#)  
[ORS 339.240 to-339.250](#)

[ORS 343.155 to-343.246](#)  
[ORS 343.533](#)  
[ORS 343.155 to-343.243](#)  
[ORS 811.210](#)  
[ORS 811.215](#)  
[ORS 815.055](#)  
[ORS 815.080](#)  
[ORS 820.100 to-820.190](#)

[OAR 581-021-0050 to-0075](#)  
[OAR 581-022-1530](#)  
[OAR 581-023-0040](#)  
[OAR 581-053-0002 to-0015](#)  
[OAR 735-102-0010](#)

No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, 20 U.S.C. § 6315 (2006).

McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance Improvements Act of 2001, 42 U.S.C. §§ 11431-11435 (2005).