

Orange Windsor Supervisory Union

Royalton School District

Transportation Policy

The daily transportation of Royalton pupils is a privilege accorded by the school system in compliance with statutory requirements. Pursuant to Vermont Statute, Title 16 §1222, the School Board of the Town District has established the following policy for transportation of students:

1. The board will provide transportation before the school day and after the school day for K-12 students enrolled in the South Royalton School. This transportation will be from established bus stops to the school and back. Kindergarten pupils will not be transported by the district following morning session nor for the beginning of the afternoon session. Riding privileges may be withdrawn, as noted below, for inappropriate behavior on the bus.
2. School buses will operate only on publicly owned and maintained roads.
3. School buses will NOT operate on roads deemed by the Board as hazardous.
4. School buses will make regular, planned stops only. These will be arranged to reduce the number of stops and starts. Thus, students are expected to group themselves at convenient stops.
5. Students are expected to get off and get on at the REGULAR points:
 - a. Once students are on the bus, they will not be allowed off, except at the school.
 - b. Any exceptions to these points will be with the written approval of their parents and approval from the bus driver.
6. All students are expected to be ready and waiting for the arrival of the bus. The driver is not expected to wait for the students who are not ready.
7. Control and discipline on the bus is the responsibility of the bus driver. If a problem arises, the bus driver will speak to the student. Any continuation of the inappropriate behavior or serious misconduct will be reported in writing to the Principal. Disciplinary action could be taken which results in the loss of bus riding privileges at which time transportation to and from school becomes the responsibility of the parents.
8. All rules and regulations governing student behavior at the school shall also be in effect on the school bus.

9. Bus routes will be established by the School Board, and routes will be reviewed annually between May 1st and July 1st. Requests from the public for any modifications in routes will be considered during that time.

10. No public transportation will be provided for students to school from points closer than: The Verizon telephone building (RT 110 North), Paines' Beach on North Windsor Street, the Arthur Pettengill property on South Windsor Street, River View Cemetery on RT 14, and from Wendall Eaton's on RT 14. Transportation will not be provided for students living on the Oxbow Road, Pleasant Street, or Rainbow Street.

11. The school cannot assume responsibility for the safety and well being of children until they get on the bus in the morning or after they get off the bus in the afternoon.

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