
SECTION 16: SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS AND SERVICES – TRANSPORTATION

Students with exceptionalities generally use the existing bus transportation the Board provides for all students.

In special cases, the Renfrew County Joint Transportation Consortium (RCJTC) in consultation with the Supervising Principal for Special Services will review a request for special transportation for a student with an exceptionality. This is discussed with parents at the IPRC. In order to consider the request, documentation must be on file with the Special Education Department that would substantiate the need for special transportation arrangements.

Students with severe medical conditions may be reviewed by the RCJTC for consideration of special transportation. A medical doctor's letter must be provided to substantiate the need for special transportation.

Students with physical disabilities and who require lift buses for wheelchairs are referred to the RCJTC for specific arrangements.

Students with developmental disabilities are provided with specialized transportation as arranged by the RCJTC, in consultation with the Special Education Department.

Students placed in special education programs by a County Identification, Placement and Review Committee that are not within their community school are provided with transportation to and from the school where their special education program is provided.

Students attending a provincial school are provided with weekly transportation to and from the provincial school. Arrangements are made in as cost efficient manner as possible in consultation with the Supervising Principal for Special Services and the Provincial School.

Transportation is provided by the Board for students admitted to (Section 23) Care, Treatment, and Correctional facilities.

Please refer to the Renfrew County District School Board Transportation Policy which outlines the transportation policies of the Board for transportation for exceptional pupils.

The school principal is responsible to ensure drivers obtain necessary First Aid training (e.g. Epi-pen).