South Hampton School District Policy

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PUPIL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

- A. Bus routes shall be established along primary through streets. Bus stops will be designated at intervals along these streets. Pupils will load and unload at the bus stops. In accomplishing route planning, emphasis will be given to assuring the safety of pupils and to precluding excessively long distances between the home and the bus stop. However, the concept of buses traveling on primary through streets and not deviating into individual neighborhoods will remain paramount. The bus contractor may not permit his/her drivers to load or unload pupils at other than authorized bus stops.
- B. Routes shall be planned to employ as nearly as practicable the full carrying capacity of each bus trip. It is recognized that the time some pupils will spend aboard the bus may be lengthy, particularly at the ends of routes in low population density areas.
- C. Routes and bus stops shall be established by the carrier, consistent with this policy, and shall be subject to review by the Principal and Superintendent.
- D. Requests or complaints by parents will be directed to the carrier for resolution. Any matters which cannot be resolved to the requester's satisfaction will be forwarded by the carrier to the school Principal or to the Superintendent's office. The Principal or Superintendent shall act within his/her authority in resolving the matter. The Superintendent will take to the School Board any item deemed appropriate.
- E. Once bus routes and bus stops are established, the Board considers the family to be responsible for the safety and conduct of the pupil from the time the pupil leaves home in the morning until boarding the bus and from the time leaving the bus in the afternoon throughout the rest of the day. The pupil is expected to obey rules while on the bus.

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