

POLICY 780: Transportation Assistance

The Board of Education of School District No. 8 (Kootenay Lake) may provide transportation assistance to parents or guardians who transport students where no District transportation is available.

To qualify for transportation assistance a pupil must: live within the boundaries of the School District; live beyond the walk limits from the nearest School District No. 8 school in their attendance area; have no District pupil transportation services provided; live beyond 2.5 kilometers from the nearest bus stop; and, be normally in full time attendance at a School District No. 8 school.

Transportation assistance will be paid for the entire distance from the student's residence to the nearest bus stop, if the nearest bus stop is more than 2.5 kilometers from the residence. Transportation assistance will be paid for the entire distance from the student's residence to the nearest school if the distance from the residence to the nearest school in their attendance area exceeds the walk limits and no District pupil transportation services are provided.

For the purposes of this policy, walk limits are 2.5 km for primary students and 3.0 km for intermediate and secondary students. These distances are measured by the nearest passable road, which is defined as a street, road, highway, lane or walkway, that has been established as a pedestrian or vehicular route by the Municipality or the Province of British Columbia.