



# **PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE SCHOOL DIVISION**

***“Dedicated to the Pursuit of Excellence”***

## **BOARD POLICY #17 Transportation**

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The Board is responsible for the provision of safe, reliable and cost-effective transportation for all eligible students requiring access to educational programs at division-operated schools within the School Division. The Board will assist in providing transportation services for students participating in approved co-curricular and extra-curricular programs when feasible and within established administrative guidelines.

The Board endorses an on-going investment in student transportation, including the maintenance, upkeep and replacement of school buses, as being in the public’s best interest. Regular review and evaluation of bus life-cycles and appropriate expenditures for preventative and required maintenance extends the useful life of the fleet and protects the School Division’s transportation investment.

The Superintendent is responsible for the approval of the School Division’s transportation management procedures based on the following principles:

- student safety;
- bus transportation, organization and management must adhere to all provincial legislation and regulations; and
- the school timetable and route duration are fundamental considerations when establishing transportation service.

Quality and accessibility will be provided within annual budgetary considerations. The Board’s only direct involvement in transportation management is to hear appeals to decisions made by the Superintendent.