

# DOES YOUR STUDENT QUALIFY?



## FOOTHILLS SCHOOL DIVISION TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

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## SCHOOL BUS ELIGIBILITY

### RIDING THE SCHOOL BUS REQUESTING SERVICE

Please complete and return a Student Transportation Request Form to request service.

Our User Pay Transportation service is available after No Fee Transportation students have been accommodated.

Parents will be contacted in late September / early October as available space is confirmed on the bus.

Upon approval, the full Transportation Fee is due before your child can commence transportation services.



## **FOOTHILLS SCHOOL DIVISION OFFERS TWO TYPES OF TRANSPORTATION:**

### **NO FEE TRANSPORTATION**

Students registered in Foothills School Division (FSD) and attending a school within their designated attendance boundary; or Students directed to a school outside their attendance boundary school for FSD regional programs. In both situations, families qualify for transportation based on the following conditions:

- Students whose residence is 2.4 kilometers or further from their designated school; or
- Students in kindergarten to grade 3 whose residence is 1.6 kilometers or further from their designated school and who do not have an older sibling to walk with.

In accordance with Alberta Education funding guidelines transportation cannot be provided to multiple addresses. FSD buses are the predominant form of transportation. In situations where it is not practical/cost-efficient to offer busing, due to factors including location, distance or individual student requirements, alternative forms of transport will be discussed on a case-by-case basis.



### **USER PAY TRANSPORTATION**

Students whose residence is closer to their designated school than the distances outlined in the previous section OR school families who decide to send their children to an FSD school of choice outside their designated boundary may be provided with User Pay Transportation subject to the following conditions:

- There is room on the bus after all students who qualify for no fee transportation are accommodated;
- The route will not be changed to accommodate student pick up/drop off. School families are required to meet the bus at a scheduled stop;
- Students attending a school of choice are required to meet the bus at a scheduled stop inside the choice school boundary;
- Fees will be charged; and
- The provision of transportation will be reviewed on an annual basis subject to the same conditions as outlined above.

There is no guarantee that space will be available from one year to the next depending on the number of students who qualify for No Fee Transportation and choose to use the service.