

# MAYNARD PUBLIC SCHOOLS



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**Administrative Regulation:**

**#311.1**

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## **STUDENT TRANSPORTATION** **2008 / 2009**

The Maynard Public School District, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws will provide **free transportation to all students in Grades K-6 who live 2 or more miles from their school**. All other students in Grades K-6 who live fewer than 2 miles from school and all students in Grades 7-12 may receive transportation for a fee, regardless of the distance to their homes from their school.

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This fee system is established to help subsidize the full cost of transportation services in combination with school budget funds.

Please visit our website for transportation application  
**[http:// www.maynardschools.org](http://www.maynardschools.org)**

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## **Frequently Asked Questions:**

### **What is the School Bus Fee for the 2008/2009 School Year?**

<b>Date</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Child</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Child</b>	<b>3 Or More</b>
Before August 1	\$180.00	\$140.00	\$100.00
After August 1	\$205.00	\$165.00	\$125.00

\$25.00 service charge on returned checks (**Free/Reduced = \$75.00 per child**)

**Registration will be accepted only on a first come, first served, space available basis.** Families who need assistance and meet Federal Guidelines will be assessed at **\$75.00** per child.

### **Will the fees cover the full cost of transportation services?**

No. The cost of the transportation program is \$142,000. It is anticipated that \$59,000 will be collected in transportation fees. The difference of \$83,000 will be expended from the school budget.

### **What is the fee for students who move into Town after August 1?**

Students who move into Town after August 1 and before January 1 will pay the full annual fee within 30 days of entering school.

### **Is the fee refundable?**

Only for families who move out of Maynard before January 1, 2009; and in that case 50% of the fee is refunded. After January 1, 2009 no refund.

### **How do I purchase transportation for my child?**

Please complete the attached Student Transportation Request with a check payable to the **Maynard Public Schools** before August 1, 2008.

### **Who is subject to a bus fee?**

Those students in grades K-6 who live fewer than two miles from their school; and all students in grades 7-12.

### **Why do fees go up after August 1?**

The district needs to know the number of students being transported in order to create the routes and do the necessary paperwork.

### **Can my child ride one way to school? Less than 5 days?**

Yes, but there is no reduction in fee.

### **When will the bus routes and stops be defined?**

By August 18, bus routes will be established and mailed home with bus passes the week before school starts.

**How do I find out if I am in the 2 mile limit?**

Since this is the sixth year for fees, families have been notified. New families will be notified if they are transported free (K-6; 2 miles from school)

**If I am paying for transportation will the bus pick my child up at the house?**

No. All students will be under the district guidelines set for bus stops. Every effort will be made to have your stop a reasonable distance from the residence.

**How does the district/bus company know that students riding have paid?**

The district/bus company shall furnish the drivers with the names of students eligible to ride their bus. All (eligible / pay-to-ride students) will be issued a pass identifying them as eligible to ride to and from school. Students should have their pass with them at all times.

**If I have a question about transportation, who do I call?**

Questions should be directed to the school building principal or designee.

**What is the procedure for handling behavior problems?**

These procedures are outlined in detail in the student/parent handbooks.



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**Free or Reduced Students pay \$75.00 – each child**

I wish to arrange bus transportation to and from school for my child/children in accordance with the Transportation Policy set forth by the Maynard Public Schools.

Make check payable to: *Maynard Public Schools* and send to:

**Maynard Public Schools  
12 Bancroft Street  
Maynard, MA 01754**

**(Please Print)**

<b>Student Name</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Grade</b>

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_