NESHANNOCK TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: OPERATIONS

TITLE: TRANSPORTATION FOR

CHILD CARE

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810.2. TRANSPORTATION FOR CHILD CARE

1. Authority

The district will cooperate with working parents/guardians and a reasonable babysitting arrangement. This means **that under normal circumstances**, the child will be picked up and/or discharged at the same loading zone every day. The child may be picked up at one location and dropped off at a different location, but this must be done on the everyday basis.

2. Guidelines

Items 1 through 5 below determine if such an arrangement can be honored. The parent/guardian may request in writing that a student be reassigned to a different **permanent** loading zone and/or route. Each written request shall be reviewed by the Transportation Office and may be granted in accordance with the following criteria:

- 1. The route is operated from the student's assigned school.
- 2. The route does not have to be changed or extended.
- 3. The load on the vehicle shall not exceed the legal limits for the vehicle.
- 4. The change does not increase the cost to the school district.
- 5. The change shall be long-term, except under emergency conditions.

After July 1, the parent/guardian submitting the written request for the transportation of students to and from a child care provider will be accommodated in the following manner:

- 1. The child care provider must reside within the Neshannock Township School District and within the bus route of the student's assigned school as determined by the parent's/guardian's residence.
- 2. The student must live within the Neshannock Township School District.
- 3. The request will cause no additional transportation costs to the district.
- 4. The request must use an established bus route and stop.

- 5. The requested bus can accommodate additional passengers.
- 6. The student will be riding the bus on a regular basis. Regular basis shall mean one of the following scenarios:
 - a. Everyday a.m. and p.m. to and from child care.
 - b. Every a.m. from child care and every p.m. to their residence.
 - c. Every a.m. from their residence and every p.m. to child care.
- 7. The student will not be assigned to more than one (1) bus in any one (1) direction.
- 8. When a passenger overload occurs, students at child care locations will be removed from that bus to accommodate students living along such bus route.
- 9. A parent may request in writing to the principal that the child ride a different bus on a day to day basis. The parent shall include: 1.) the bus number of the new destination; 2.) the child's full name who wants to ride a different bus; and 3.) the bus stop location. The child may only ride a different bus if there is adequate seating room and the principal gives his/her permission. Students will be denied access to a different bus stop if all of the above are not met.

The District will encourage parents to utilize a different bus only in emergency situations.

All rules and regulations will apply to all students riding school buses.