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Student Transportation Eligibility

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Subject: **Student Transportation Eligibility**

Reference Subsections 53F-2-403(1) and (2) of Utah Code, A student is eligible for state-supported transportation if the student lives in the Board assigned school boundary area AND:

1. The student is enrolled in kindergarten through grade 5 and their home is at least 1-1/2 miles from their school; OR
2. The student is enrolled in grades 6 through 12 and their home is at least two miles from school.

Pursuant R277-600-4(6), the distance from home to school is determined as follows: From the center of the public route open to public use, opposite the regular entrance where the pupil is living, over the nearest public route open regularly for use by the public, to the center of the public route open to public use, opposite the nearest public entrance to the school grounds which the student is attending.

Note the regulation uses the word **"Regular Entrance."** This term is important for private subdivisions. The **Regular Entrance** into the **private subdivision** is used as the point of reference in the calculation. Some subdivisions have more than one entrance.

"Regular Entrance" is defined as the entrance into the private subdivision that is closest to the student's home. The point of reference for the location where the pupil is living is determined by calculating the distance from the school to the center of the public street open to public use, opposite the "**Regular Entrance**" of the private subdivision.

As Authorized by the Superintendent on August 21, 2020.