

Frequently Asked Questions – Private/Parochial Schools

In addition to the information provided under Frequently Asked Questions - General, the following information is specific to students attending private or parochial schools:

Q. Is my child eligible for bus transportation to a private/parochial school?

A. Eligibility for transportation is established based on the following criteria:

- the student must be registered with the private/parochial school and registered with the Newburgh Enlarged City School District.
- the student must be five (5) years of age prior to December 1 of the current school year.
- the student must be distance eligible.
- for currently enrolled students and students who live within the District, a Transportation Request form must be submitted in writing to the Department of Transportation by April 1 of the preceding school year.
- for students who move into the district after April 1 and request transportation within thirty (30) days of establishing residency in the school district.

Q. What are the distance eligibility requirements for private/parochial school bus transportation?

A. Eligibility for bus transportation for a private/parochial school is determined based on the distance between the student's home address of record and the school as calculated by Transfinder, the computer software transportation program used by the District as follows:

- Elementary school students – within fifteen (15) miles of the school they attend.
- Secondary school students – within eighteen (18) miles of the school they attend.

Q. What if my child is not distance eligible for a private/parochial school and needs bussing?

A. Provided that transportation eligibility has been established for a student attending the school your child wishes to attend, your child may ride the bus to and from a designated pick-up point, which must be a public school within the district. The parent/guardian is responsible for transportation of the student to and from the pick-up point. Please contact the Transportation Department at (845) 568-6833 for specific locations.

Q. Will transportation be provided on days when my child's private/parochial school is in session but Newburgh Enlarged City Schools are not in session?

A. Transportation to private/parochial schools will be provided according to the calendar provided by each school. Transportation to private/parochial schools will not be provided in the event of a delay or closure due to inclement weather.