### GLASSBORO PUBLIC SCHOOLS GLASSBORO, NEW JERSEY

TO:

Mark Silverstein

FROM:

Kathy Mastran

DATE:

June 22, 2016

RE:

Agenda Item for July 27, 2016

First and Second Reading - Board Policy

The following Board Policy is being submitted to the Board for a First and

Second Reading:

Policy 8613 - Waiver of Pupil Transportation

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Attachments

## GLASSBORO BOARD OF EDUCATION

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### 8613 WAIVER OF PUPIL TRANSPORTATION

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To assist the Board in operating the school district's transportation system in the most cost-effective manner, the Board may provide a pupil's parent/guardian the option of waiving transportation services for that school year in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:39-1c.

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# **POLICY**

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N.J.S.A. 18A:39-1; 18A:39-1c

Adopted: May 23, 2012



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N.J.S.A. 18A:39-1 N.J.S.A. 18A:39-1c

Adopted:



Glassboro Public Schools Transportation Department 560 Joseph Bowe Boulevard Glassboro, New Jersey 08028 (856) 652-2677 Fax (856) 652-2675 sspence@glassboroschools.us Susan Spence, Supervisor of Transportation

TO: Parents/Guardians

On July 27, 2016, the Glassboro Board of Education adopted a new policy that allows parents/guardians to waive transportation for their children. This allows the transportation department to more efficiently schedule buses and eliminate any unnecessary stops.

The policy allows for the possibility to reinstate transportation if circumstances arise that a student would require transportation.

Please notify our office immediately if you wish to waive transportation. The "Alternate Transportation Form" can be found on the Glassboro Public Schools webpage and/or may be picked up at any of the schools and the transportation office. There is a box on the page to waive transportation.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Susan Spence

#### Glassboro Public Schools TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT 856-652-2700 EXT 6701

## **ALTERNATE TRANSPORTATION FORM**

All requests for students to be transported to and/or from school to one (1) location other than home MUST be submitted in writing on a **YEARLY** basis. Students must go to/from that location every day with <u>no exceptions.</u>

PLEASE NOTE: THIS FORM MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT BY AUGUST 1st PRIOR TO THE CURRENT SCHOOL YEAR. NO REQUESTS SUBMITTED AFTER AUGUST 1st WILL BE CONSIDERED UNTIL TWO (2) WEEKS AFTER THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL.

Student Name:	Grade:School:
	Phone:
MY CHILD WILL NOT REQUIRE TRANSPORTATION FOR THE ENTIRE SCHOOL YEAR (Please check box)  Alternate Stop Requested	
AM:	
PM:	
Effective Date of Change	
PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE:	
Adult Supervisor at Stop:	
ANY CHANGES MUST BE SUBMITTED FIVE (5) E	BUSINESS DAYS PRIOR.
Please return form to: Susan Spence, Transportation Supervisor Glassboro Public Schools Transportation Department 560 Joseph Bowe Blvd. Glassboro, New Jersey 08028 FAX #: 856-652-2675	Date received:

Revised 6-30-16

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