

# School District No. 22 (Vernon) **POLICY**

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**No. 9.3.0**

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Amended:

## SCHOOL ACT SECTION 101 REQUESTS

Section 101 of the School Act states:

101 A Board may

- (a) assist in paying the cost of transportation, board or lodging of a student, or
- (b) subject to the approval of the minister, assist in paying the cost of transportation, board, lodging or tuition fees of a person attending an educational institution outside of British Columbia.

1. The Board recognized it has the discretion of implementing or not implementing this section of the Act.
2. The Board interprets Section 101 (a) of the School Act to apply to students who live in remote areas which are significantly beyond regular school district bus transportation routes and/or to students who may have to board away from their home to attend a School District No. 22 school. The Board is supportive of providing financial assistance subject to the following criteria:
  - a. The Board agrees the student lives significantly beyond the end of a scheduled school district route
    - i. The amount is calculated according to the formula  $(\$0.20 / \text{kilometre} + \$0.30 / \text{child}) \times \# \text{ days in attendance}$ . Kilometres are measured from the roadway nearest the family home to the nearest bus pickup location or school, whichever is less.
    - ii. The maximum amount per family is \$10.00 /day of school attendance.
  - b. The Board agrees the student must board away from the home to attend a district school.
    - i. The amount of the board and lodging assistance will be

recommended by the Superintendent in consultation with the parents.

- c. The student continues to be enrolled in a School District No. 22 school.
3. The Board interprets Section 101 (b) of the School Act to apply to students who exhibit exceptional needs and abilities and where there is no program available in the province. The Board is supportive of requesting Ministerial approval for financial assistance to parents of a student subject to the following criteria:
- a. The student was enrolled in a School District No. 22 school as of September 30 of the current school year.
  - b. The Board approves that the intended program is the best educational placement for the child.
  - c. The parent agrees to the Board monitoring the academic program of the student.
  - d. The program in which the child is enrolled is of National prominence and not available locally.
  - e. The parent agrees to provide regular written evidence to the Board of the student's academic progress.
4. All applications must be approved annually.