

**POLICY**

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The District School Board of Niagara is committed to ensuring that people with disabilities have the same opportunity of access to our services in a similar way as these services are available to all others we serve. We are committed to meeting, in a timely manner, the accessibility needs of students with disabilities in the provision of services related to student transportation.

It is the policy of the District School Board of Niagara to ensure that accessible school transportation services are provided for students with disabilities in a manner that meets their unique needs and ensures their safety. Where appropriate and practicable, integrated accessible school transportation services will be provided.

The provision of accessible student transportation services will include the development of an individual school transportation plan for each student who has a disability that affects their transportation to and from school. The plan will be developed by the Board's School Support Services staff in collaboration with the Niagara Student Transportation Services and in consultation with the student's parents/guardians.

**Legal Framework**

Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005 (AODA)  
 Accessibility Standard for Customer Service, Ontario Regulation 429/07  
 Integrated Accessibility Standards, Ontario Regulation 191/11  
 Ontario Human Rights Code  
 Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2001

References:

Policy D-09: Framework for the Provision of Special Education Services  
 Policy E-09: Human Rights  
 Policy E-11: Equity and Inclusive Education  
 Policy J-01: Transportation Eligibility and Service