

**TRANSPORTATION FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES**

*Note: Children with disabilities must be transported with other non-disabled children if the district provides transportation to other students in the district. Separate transportation for an exceptional child is authorized only when it is in the best interest of that child due to the nature of the physical or mental disability. AS 14.30.347.*

The School Board recognizes its responsibility to provide transportation that give students with disabilities access to appropriate education programs and services. The district shall provide transportation for students with disabilities in accordance with needs specified in their Individualized Education Program (IEP).

In selecting the most appropriate mode of transportation, IEP teams shall consider the student's unique safety and health needs, the availability of equipment, existing transportation schedules, and the extent to which transportation arrangements may help the student develop independent mobility skills.

Whenever possible, children with disabilities shall be transported with students without disabilities.

*(cf. 3540 - Transportation)  
(cf. 3541.5 - Alternative Transportation Arrangements)  
(cf. 6172 - Special Education)*

*Legal Reference:*

ALASKA STATUTES

14.30.278 Individualized education program

14.30.347 Transportation of exceptional children

ALASKA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

4 AAC 52.730 State aid for transportation

4 AAC 27.021 Establishment of special education routes

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