



Ohio Revised Code

Section 3327.017 Mass transit to transport community and nonpublic school students.

Effective: March 20, 2026

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(A) As used in this section:

(1) "Eligible student" has the same meaning as in section 3327.016 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Mass transit system" has the same meaning as in section 4511.78 of the Revised Code.

(3) "School district student" means a resident student enrolled in the city, local, or exempted village school district.

(B) No city, local, or exempted village school district shall provide or arrange for transportation for any eligible student enrolled in any of grades kindergarten through eight in a community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code or chartered nonpublic school to and from school using vehicles operated by a mass transit system, unless the district enters into an agreement with that school authorizing such transportation. An agreement under division (B) of this section shall not be effective unless both the school district and community or chartered nonpublic school approve it.

(C) A city, local, or exempted village school district that elects to provide or arrange for transportation for any eligible student enrolled in any of grades nine through twelve in a community or chartered nonpublic school to and from school using vehicles operated by a mass transit system shall ensure that the student is assigned to a route that does not require the student to make more than one transfer.

(D)(1) Beginning July 1, 2026, with respect to a city, local, or exempted village school district that is located in a county that has a population between five hundred thirty thousand and five hundred forty thousand according to the most recent federal decennial census, and has a mass transit system located in that same county, the school district may use vehicles operated by the mass transit system



to transport any of the following to and from school:

(a) Eligible students enrolled in any of grades nine through twelve in a community or chartered nonpublic school;

(b) School district students enrolled in any of grades nine through twelve.

(2) A school district that uses a mass transit system in accordance with division (D)(1) of this section shall ensure both of the following:

(a) Each student is assigned to a route that does not require the student to make more than one transfer.

(b) That any transfer does not occur at the central transfer hub for the mass transit system.