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Policy Statement

It is the policy of the Keewatin-Patricia District School Board (KPDSB) to reimburse parents or guardians the cost of providing board, lodging, and transportation of eligible pupils, subject to the availability of funding by the KPDSB.

Rationale

Section 190 of the Education Act authorizes district school boards to reimburse parents or guardians for the cost of providing board, lodging, and transportation for pupils who reside in a territorial district that is twenty-four (24) kilometers or more by road or rail from a secondary school, or who reside in a municipality that is not in a territorial district that is forty-eight (48) kilometers or more by road or rail from a secondary school and do not have daily transportation to a secondary school that the pupil is eligible to attend.

Guidelines

- 1. Eligibility Eligible pupils for board, lodging, and transportation are as defined in the Education Act, Section 190, Subsections 8 to 13. The following additional eligibility requirements are established:
 - a) Assistance will be provided only to pupils attending schools operated by the KPDSB.
 - b) Pupils of the Board will be eligible for assistance. Other pupils whose parent/guardian resides on a First Nation will not be eligible for assistance, as they are the responsibility of the First Nation.
 - c) The residence of the parent/guardian must be located in a territorial district that is twenty-four (24) kilometers or more by road or rail from the secondary school or in a municipality that is not in a territorial district that is forty-eight (48) kilometers or more by road or rail from the secondary school <u>and</u> must be located at least twenty-four or fortyeight (24 or 48) kilometers respectively by road from the nearest school bus stop offering service to the nearest school

Cross References Education Act, Section 190 Policy 606, Transportation Date Approved: 11/01/2011 Date Reviewed: 08/05/2012 Date Revised: 10/05/2016; 22/02/2022



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- d) Students who require board and lodging because of the temporary absence of a parent or guardian, or because of temporary change of the parent or guardian's residence are not eligible for assistance.
- e) In order to be eligible for assistance in respect of any school year, students must be under twenty-one (21) years of age as of December 31 of the school year.
- 2. Approval The Director of Education, or Designate, shall review all requests for board, lodging, and transportation assistance and shall determine which requests will be approved.
- 3. Attendance Assistance payments shall be dependent on satisfactory attendance at school as certified by the school Principal each month.
- 4. Board, Lodging, and Transportation Arrangements The parent/guardian shall be responsible for arranging the board, lodging, and transportation of the pupil. KPDSB will assist the parent/guardian if they are not able to make arrangements on their own.
- 5. Payments Payments will be based on monthly board, lodging, and transportation allowances as set out in this policy. Payments will be made directly to the providers of board, lodging, and transportation and not to the parent/guardian. Payments will be made at the end of each month providing satisfactory attendance has been approved by the school Principal.
- 6. Allowances Monthly allowances for eligible pupils are as set out below:
 - a) Board & Lodging: \$550.00 per month;
 - b) Transportation: \$100.00 per month.