The North Shore School District would like to remind all parents and guardians of children attending non-public (private and parochial) schools that transportation requests <u>must be filed on or before April 1, 2025</u>, in order for the students to be eligible for transportation during the 2025-26 school year. <u>All requests must be submitted in person at the Transportation Department by April 1, 2025 or sent by Certified Mail Postmarked on or before April 1, 2025.</u> Failure to submit the transportation request form on or before April 1, 2025, may result in your child being ineligible for transportation for the 2025-26 school year. In this case, the cost and arrangement for transportation will be parental responsibility. The State Education Department and the Board of Education require that a separate application be filed each year even if your child is already receiving transportation.

In accordance with New York State Education Law, transportation requests received after the above date will not be accepted unless a reasonable explanation is given for the delay or the District can provide the transportation under existing arrangements without additional expense. A belated decision to enroll a student into school is not a reasonable explanation for late submission of a transportation request. Those students who move into the District after the expiration of the deadline can still submit a written request for transportation provided such request is made within thirty (30) days after establishing residence in the district.

In order to qualify for transportation, the student must legally reside in the North Shore School District. A Kindergarten pupil must be five (5) years of age no later than December 1, 2025 and meet eligibility guidelines established by the North Shore Schools Board of Education. The current guidelines are kindergarten through twelfth (12th) grade students must live more than 3/4 of a mile from school. Students are not transported more than 15 miles from their residence.

If the district is closed due to inclement weather, there will be no transportation to any schools. If the district is operating with a delayed opening, then all schools will be transported on a delayed schedule. School closing information can be found on our website at www.northshoreschools.org.

NOTE: Parent/guardian is responsible for notifying the school district of change of address and/or phone number or when transportation is no longer required.

Please come in person or send all requests by certified mail to North Shore Schools, Transportation Department, 340 Shore Rd, PO Box 412, Glenwood Landing, New York, 11547-0412. If you have not yet received a request form, please contact your child's school, call the Transportation Office at 277-7930, or print the form from the District Website at: www.northshoreschools.org. On the home page, click on "THE DISTRICT", then look for "Policies and Forms" on the left side of the page.