Iowa Department of Human Services

ESSA School Transportation Decision Matrix

Location Type	Placement Location	Transportation Required	Responsibility (SOO/DHS)	Add'l Costs Calc	Add'l Cost Responsibility (SOO/DHS)
Intra-district	Child/Youth placed in same school district boundaries, same neighborhood school, within required busing radius	Child/Youth would not require transportation after foster care placement	School of Origin	N	School of Origin
	(ELEM = 2.0 mi/SEC = 3.0 mi)				
Intra-district	Child/Youth placed in same school district boundaries, different neighborhood school	Child/Youth would require transportation after foster care placement	School of Origin	N	School of Origin
Inter-District (contiguous)	Child/Youth placed in a school district that is contiguous to school of origin	Child/Youth would require transportation after foster care placement	School of Origin	Y	School of Origin
Inter-District/	·	Child/Youth would require transportation after foster care placement	School of Origin	Υ	School of Origin
Intra-State (non-contiguous)	district that is not contiguous to school of origin		DHS	Y	DHS/Placement
Inter-state	Child/Youth placed in a school district that is in another state and is not contiguous to school of origin	Child/Youth would require transportation after foster care placement	School of Origin	Υ	School of Origin
			DHS	Y	DHS/Placement
Other	Child/Youth placed in a school district that does not fit into any of the above categories	Child/Youth may or may not require transportation after foster care placement	Contact State Point Of Contact		

Y=Yes; N=No; M=Maybe (depends on method of transport)

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