

SHORT GUIDE TO TRANSPORTATION
 FOR STUDENTS IN TEMPORARY HOUSING ATTENDING **CHARTER SCHOOLS** IN NEW YORK STATE¹

Students who attend a charter school are entitled to continued enrollment and transportation to that school if they become homeless. In such cases, the student should designate the school district in which s/he was last permanently housed as the district of origin on the designation form. In general, the school district in which the student was last permanently housed is responsible for transporting the student to the charter school provided that it is not more than 50 miles each way. The Local Department of Social Services (DSS) may be responsible for transporting the student, if DSS placed the student in temporary housing outside of the school district in which the student was permanently housed and the student is eligible for Emergency Assistance for Families.

	Administrative and Fiscal Responsibility	Legal Basis	Funding Source
Temporarily residing <u>inside</u> of the <u>school district</u> where the student was last permanently housed	School district of origin , provided that the student is not traveling more than 50 miles each way.	42 U.S.C. § 11432(g)(1)(J)(iii); N.Y. Education Law § 3209(4); 8 N.Y.C.R.R. § 100.2(x)(6)	State transportation aid
Temporarily residing <u>outside</u> of the <u>school district</u> where the student was last permanently housed, but <u>not</u> placed by DSS	School district of origin provided that this district is the designated district of attendance and student is not traveling more than 50 miles each way. School district of current location provided that this district is the designated district of attendance, this district provides transportation to nonpublic schools, and the charter school is not more than 15 miles away.	42 U.S.C. § 11432(g)(1)(J)(iii); N.Y. Education Law § 2853(4)(b), N.Y. Education Law 3209(4), and N.Y. Education Law 3635(1)(b); N.Y.C.R.R. § 100.2(x)(4)(viii) and 8 N.Y.C.R.R. § 100.2(x)(6)	State transportation aid
Temporarily residing <u>outside</u> of the <u>school district</u> where the student was last permanently housed, and <u>placed in emergency housing by DSS</u>	Local department of social services , if the student was placed in emergency housing outside of the designated school district of attendance and the student is eligible for Emergency Assistance for Families. Please note the designated school district of attendance may be different from the school district in which the charter school is located.	N.Y. Education Law § 3209(4)	Emergency Assistance for Families
Moved into permanent housing and attending the same charter school	District in which the student is now permanently housed if the district provides transportation to nonpublic schools and the charter school is not more than 15 miles away. OR Previous school district provided that the previous district is the designated district of attendance and the student is traveling 50 miles or less each way.	N.Y. Education Law § 2853(4)(b), N.Y. Education Law 3635(1)(b), and N.Y. Education Law 3209(4); 8 N.Y.C.R.R. § 100.2(x)(4)(viii) and N.Y.C.R.R. § 100.2(x)(6)	State transportation aid, OR Directly bill the new district where the student is permanently housed.

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