



TRANSPORTATION

Bus transportation to and from St. Joseph Regional High School is made available through many of the New Jersey and New York public school districts. Those families in districts that do not provide busing may be able to contract with a private bus company. It is your responsibility to request your local school district to provide you with transportation information and availability.

NEW JERSEY DISTRICTS/TOWNS

For the purposes of transportation, New Jersey School Districts are divided into two categories, “Non-Exempt” and “Exempt”. In ALL cases, parents must complete an “Application for Private School Transportation”, (B6T Form), which we will provide, and which is to be returned to St. Joseph’s school office for processing. Failure to return transportation paperwork may result in no busing or reimbursement.

Non-Exempt Districts – These New Jersey districts provide either free direct busing or reimbursement to private school students residing there. This determination is made by your local Board of Education annually during the summer through a bidding process. Upon acceptance of bids by the Board of Education, students are assigned to bus routes and notified by their town or district in mid- to late summer.

Of the students enrolled at St. Joseph’s during the 2019-2020 school year, those residing in the following districts are currently receiving FREE DIRECT busing:

ALLENDALE– EMERSON– HOHOKUS – MAHWAH – RAMSEY– RIDGEWOOD – SADDLE RIVER - WALDWICK - WESTWOOD REGIONAL.

Districts that do not provide direct busing will send a transportation reimbursement of approximately \$1000 to parents in two semi-annual installments. In such instances, parents may have the opportunity to contract for private busing. Saint Joseph Regional High School can assist parents with arranging transportation for those students whose towns do not provide busing. Parents will receive reimbursement from Board Offices regardless of whether or not they contract for private busing.

NOTE: Town busing is subject to change from year to year based on the individual school district.

For 2019-2020, the following districts and/or towns are providing TRANSPORTATION REIMBURSEMENT in lieu of free direct busing:

ALPINE – BELLEVILLE - BLOOMINGDALE - BLOOMFIELD – CLIFTON – EDGEWATER – ELMWOOD PARK - ENGLEWOOD – FAIR LAWN - FORT LEE – GARFIELD - HAWTHORNE - LAKELAND REGIONAL - LITTLE FERRY – MANCHESTER REGIONAL - MONTCLAIR - MOONACHIE – NORTH BERGEN - NORTHERN VALLEY REGIONAL- PASCACK VALLEY REGIONAL (if over two miles) –PARAMUS - PASSAIC VALLEY REGIONAL – PATERSON – RAMAPO INDIAN HILLS REGIONAL – RIVER DELL REGIONAL– TEANECK –TENAFLY - UPPER SADDLE RIVER – WAYNE – WEST ESSEX.

Exempt Districts – Most other New Jersey Districts are considered “exempt” because they do not provide busing nor reimbursement to non-handicapped students attending their own public schools. Parents residing in these districts may have the opportunity to contract for private busing. However, these families will have to bear the full cost of transportation. Saint Joseph Regional High School can assist parents with arranging transportation for those students whose towns do not provide busing.

NEW YORK DISTRICTS/TOWNS

All Rockland County School Districts provide FREE DIRECT BUSING to and from St. Joseph’s. To apply for this service, parents of students residing in these districts must complete a blue transportation form. The completed form must be submitted to St. Joseph’s main office for forwarding to the various districts. Students will then be assigned to a route by their District and notified during the summer.

NOTE: Each District uses its own individual form. It is VERY IMPORTANT THAT PARENTS COMPLETE THE CORRECT FORM. The District is determined by the Public High School the student would attend, or the District to which property taxes are paid.