

720.1 Unusually Hazardous Transportation Plan

According to Wisconsin law, a pupil attending a public elementary or secondary school, including kindergarten, is entitled to transportation by the public-school district in which the pupil resides if the pupil resides two or more miles from the nearest public school the pupil is entitled to attend. Generally, pupils who live within two miles of the public or private school they attend are not automatically entitled to transportation under state law.

However, due to unusually hazardous conditions in certain areas, a school district may deem it necessary to provide transportation to some children residing less than two miles from their school. An “unusually hazard” is an existing transportation condition that constitutes more than an ordinary hazard and seriously jeopardizes the safety of pupils traveling to and from school. It is understood that all traffic situations through which pupils must travel present some degree of hazard. The degree of hazard often depends on the age of the pupil involved. When such hazards reach a level of danger which is unacceptable to the community in which they exist and which cannot be corrected by other local units of government, the school board may designate such an area as unusually hazardous.

The Williams Bay School District Board of Education developed this plan to designate the unusually hazardous areas within our district boundaries. The following factors were considered in determining the unusually hazardous areas:

- Age of student
- Lack of sidewalks
- Width of road
- High volume of traffic
- Temporary hazards such as construction
- The lake and shore path
- Other conditions as identified by local units of government

The plan was submitted for review to the Sheriff of Walworth County. Each area identified as a potential hazard was reviewed, investigated, and ultimately approved. The Sheriff's findings and the Unusually Hazardous Transportation Plan itself, were then filed with the State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Based on Wisconsin State Law and the suggested guidelines of the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction, the Williams Bay School District's Board of Education has defined the following six (6) areas as unusually hazardous:

Area	Location Description	Reasoning
A	Cedar Point Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lack of sidewalks • Narrow Roads • Lake front path along the lakeshore/water • Piers and frozen lake • Numerous curves and hillcrests creating site obstructions
B	Theatre Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lack of sidewalks • Multiple subdivision with year around construction • High volume traffic
C	Lakewood Trails Subdivision	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lack of sidewalks • Students need to travel on Theatre Road
D	Baywood Heights Subdivision	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lack of sidewalks • Students need to travel on Theatre Road
E	Prairie View Subdivision	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lack of sidewalks • Students need to travel on Theatre Road
F	Bailey Estates Subdivision	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lack of sidewalks • Students need to travel on Theatre Road

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