

**CODE F9
(MANDATORY)**

TRANSPORTATION

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Policy

Thetford Academy is not a school district and is therefore not legally obligated to provide transportation for students. Thetford Academy does recognize its role as a coordinator and facilitator in identifying resources for the transportation needs of some students.

Background

Thetford Academy has a history of working with sending towns to coordinate safe and effective transportation for its students and will continue to do so. Needs vary from town to town. Thetford provides transportation to the Academy as part of its school district responsibilities. Other towns share costs with the Academy, and still others make the freedom of choice for attending Thetford Academy contingent on students' providing their own transportation. Thetford Academy has also coordinated the transportation of students to the regional Vocational/Technical Centers from the Academy.

Implementation

Thetford Academy will continue its current policy of helping to provide transportation solutions on an "as needed" basis looking at each individual set of circumstances. Where the Academy's role as a coordinator or partner in providing such services is deemed appropriate, it shall continue to do so.

Legal References: 16 V.S.A. §§1221, 1222 (Student transportation)
16 V.S.A. §1551 (Technical center transport)

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