

# GREAT MEADOWS REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

To assist the Board in operating the school district's transportation system in the most cost-effective manner, Great Meadows Regional School District Board of Education Policy 8613 (enclosed) allows a pupil's parent/guardian the option of waiving transportation services for the school year in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:39-1c.

In order to waive transportation services, a pupil's parent/guardian is required to sign a written statement indicating the pupil waives transportation services for that school year. The written statement is enclosed, and can also be found on the GMRSD website. This form must be completed and returned to school only if you elect to waive transportation at this time.

Please note, in the event a parent/guardian of a pupil eligible for transportation services waives transportation services for that school year and circumstances change during that school year, the school district will reinstate the pupil's eligibility for transportation to and from school upon completion and return of the Transportation Reinstatement Form (enclosed and on website).

Please complete and return the document attached to the contact listed below:

**Central School - K - 3rd Grade:**

Nicole Salzano - NSalzano@gmrsl.com

**Great Meadows Middle School - 4th - 8th Grade:**

Lynette Haney - LHaney@gmrsl.com

**Hackettstown High School - 9th - 12th Grade:**

Jessica DeNicola - JDeNicola@gmrsl.com

Thank you for your attention to this matter and for your continued support of Great Meadows Regional School District.

Sincerely,

*Michael Mai*

Michael Mai  
Superintendent/Principal

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## District Policy

### 8613 - WAIVER OF PUPIL TRANSPORTATION

Section: Operations  
Date Created: March 2012  
Date Edited: May 2012

The Board of Education is required to provide transportation services for the school year to an elementary pupil living more than two miles from the public school of attendance or to a secondary school pupil living more than two and one-half miles from the public school of attendance in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:39-1 et seq.

The Board shall determine pupil transportation needs and approve pupil transportation routes based on all pupils eligible for transportation in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:39-1 et seq. and any less than remote, courtesy busing, and/or hazardous route transportation determined by the Board of Education. However, while providing school bus seats for those pupils eligible for transportation each school year, the Board recognizes certain pupils eligible for transportation services voluntarily elect not to use the transportation services offered by the Board resulting in empty seats on school buses going to and from school. To assist the Board in operating the school district's transportation system in the most cost-effective manner, the Board may provide a pupil's parent/guardian the option of waiving transportation services for that school year in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:39-1c. In the event the Board provides this option, a pupil's parent/guardian will be required to sign a written statement indicating the pupil waives transportation services for that school year. The written statement shall be in such form as determined by the New Jersey Department of Education.

In the event a parent/guardian of a pupil eligible for transportation services waives transportation services for that school year and circumstances change during that school year due to a family or economic hardship, the school district will reinstate the pupil's eligibility for transportation to and from school.

N.J.S.A. 18A:39-1; 18A:39-1c

Adopted: 22 May 2012



**PARENTAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES WAIVER FORM  
STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES**

*To be completed by the Parent/Guardian. Please print.*

I understand that, if eligible, the \_\_\_\_\_  
Local Board of Education  
is obligated to transport my child to and from school pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:39-1 *et seq.*

In accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:39-1c, I agree to waive said transportation services provided  
by the \_\_\_\_\_ I understand that I will

Local Board of Education  
be responsible to provide transportation for my child \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name  
to and from \_\_\_\_\_ school each school day and the

School of Attendance

\_\_\_\_\_ will not be required to provide

Local Board of Education  
transportation services to my child for the 20\_\_\_\_ - 20\_\_\_\_ school year. I have

received and read the \_\_\_\_\_ Transportation

Local Board of Education

Waiver Policy and agree to the terms for Waiving Transportation Services. I understand I may  
reinstate my child's transportation services upon written request and showing a need due to  
family or economic hardship as defined by the Transportation Waiver Policy.

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Day Time Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

For District Use Only

Date Waiver Received: \_\_\_\_\_

BOE Notification Date: \_\_\_\_\_



REINSTATEMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SERVICES REQUEST FORM

In order to request reinstatement of student transportation services, please complete the following.

To be completed by the PARENT/GUARDIAN. Please print.

I understand transportation services can be resumed upon request should my family experience a family or economic hardship that prevents us from transporting our child.

I previously waived student transportation services for my child \_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Name  
to and from \_\_\_\_\_ school.  
School of Attendance

As of \_\_\_\_\_, I am no longer able to transport my child due to a family or  
Date  
economic hardship, as defined in the \_\_\_\_\_  
Local Board of Education

Transportation Waiver Policy. I therefore request reinstatement of transportation services for the 20\_\_\_\_ - 20\_\_\_\_ school year. I am providing proof of my family/economic hardship as required by the Transportation Waiver Policy.

I further understand, if approved, the reinstatement of transportation services will occur according to the \_\_\_\_\_ policy after receipt of the  
Local Board of Education  
completed Reinstatement of Transportation Services Request Form accompanied by acceptable documentation of the hardship and approval by the local board of education.

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

For District Use Only

Date Request Received: \_\_\_\_\_  
BOE Approval Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Transportation Reinstated: \_\_\_\_\_