

**HOPKINTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE POLICY
BUS ROUTE DETERMINATION**

Each year the Transportation Department establishes bus routes based on a number of factors, including but not limited to:

- Avoiding students crossing the road to embark and/or depart from the bus, whenever possible
- Maximizing sightlines at bus stops for upcoming and oncoming vehicles, with consideration given to annual weather and foliage changes
- Considering the route conditions and open gathering spots
- Consolidating bus stops when feasible and appropriate; corner stops are considered preferable.

It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to ensure safe passage of his/her/their child over roadways to an established stop. Bus stops and routes will be published by late August on the District Transportation webpage.