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Type Eligibility	Date REVISED Mar 5, 2014

Statement	<p>Pedestrian safety is the responsibility of the local municipality.</p> <p>In situations where the local municipality at the request of STWDSTS has not been able to resolve a safety issue, exception transportation may be provided. Each item in and by itself does not warrant such a designation, but a combination of several criteria may result in the STWDSTS determining that exception transportation may be warranted.</p> <p>STWDSTS has the sole discretion to determine exception transportation. STWDSTS decision is final.</p>
Criteria	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Number of Traveled Lanes of a Road - STWDSTS considers the number of traveled lanes a student would have to cross. In most cases, more lanes on a road is an indicator of higher volumes of traffic. 2. Posted Speed Limits – STWDSTS takes into consideration the posted speed limits of a street or road. A safety consideration is given to roads that have speed limits above 70 kph. 3. Sidewalks – lack of sidewalks are not a consideration for bus transportation in and by itself. Many of the communities STWDSTS serves either by choice or design do not have sidewalks. 4. Signalized Intersection or Crossings – Signalized intersections, crossings and placement of crossing guards are the responsibilities of local municipalities. 5. Physical Barriers – STWDSTS takes into consideration physical barriers such as construction, bridges without sidewalks or railings, unguarded railroad crossings or unprotected waterways. 6. Grade Level of Students – STWDSTS takes into consideration the grade level of a student that has to walk to school.
Procedure	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. STWDSTS will use the above criteria to determine if a walking route is safe for students in cases where a new school is opened or a school's attendance boundaries have changed requiring students to walk a different route to school. 2. Exception transportation is reviewed annually.