TRANSPORTATION TO CHILD CARE LOCATIONS
GRADES K – 8

The South Colonie Central School District shall provide transportation to students in Grades K–8 between before/after child care locations and school, but only for children attending, public or non-public schools located within the District boundaries.

Requests for changes to child care locations must be received no later than August 20 of the current school year. Requests received after this date may not be implemented prior to the first day of school. The District takes this position for safety reasons.

A child care location shall mean a place situated within the District boundaries, other than the student’s home, where care of less than twenty-four (24) hours a day is provided on a regular basis. This definition includes, but is not limited to, a variety of child care services such as New York State licensed daycare centers and in-home care by relatives and non-relatives. In-home shall mean at the home of the affected student and/or the home of the relative or non-relative which is located within the student’s school zone boundary. Child daycare, as defined in § 390 of the Social Services Law shall not refer to care provided in:

a. a day camp, as defined in the state sanitary code, or
b. an after-school program operated for the purpose of religious education, sports, or recreation.

Because the South Colonie Central School District has more than one elementary school, such transportation will be restricted to child care locations within the attendance zone of the school the student attends, except where the child care program is licensed or registered pursuant to § 390 of the Social Services Law. Transportation to such licensed or registered programs is not limited to a school attendance zone, but is provided anywhere within the District boundaries. The parent/guardian requesting child care transportation to a licensed New York State daycare location outside the student’s school attendance zone acknowledges that the request may require a longer ride time and may include a transfer point.

Students are eligible for such transportation where the distance between the child care location and school exceeds the District’s eligibility distance for transportation between home and school. Consequently, a student may be eligible for transportation to or from a child care location even though not eligible for transportation to or from home.

Reference: Education Law § 3635 1.e.
Social Services Law § 390
State Sanitary Code (SSC) Regulations, Subpart 7-2

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