

# MUHLENBERG SCHOOL DISTRICT

Buildings/Grounds/Transportation

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**DATE:** May 24, 2010  
**TO:** Muhlenberg Middle School Students & Parents  
**FROM:** Greg Schneider, Transportation Coordinator  
**RE:** High School/Middle School Walker Boundaries

Pennsylvania Department of Education defines the parameters under which school districts must operate their transportation systems. This determines the amount of our annual subsidies. Working outside their parameters renders a school district ineligible for State aid.

One of many parameters is walking distance. It has been determined by the State that students in grades 7 through 12 are capable of walking two (2) miles to and from the school's or district's property line. This excludes special education students and students who live in PennDOT designated hazardous locations. Hazardous locations are rural areas, residences adjoining busy State roads/highways that are without sidewalks or major highways such as Routes 61 or 222 that intersect the walker's path.

This memo's purpose is to alert you that no 7th, 8th, and 9th grade students, who fit within the walking parameters, will be afforded bus privileges as in times past. Commencing with the 2010-2011 school year and beyond, students who live two (2) miles or less from the District's property line, will not be allowed to ride the bus, exceptions as stated notwithstanding.

Thank you.