

**Policy**

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STUDENT VEHICLES

The Frenchtown Board of Education believes that permitting students to ride bicycles to and from school can promote physical fitness and encourage the development of responsible behavior in safety and care of property.

Pupils in grades two through eight shall be permitted to ride their bicycles to school. Parents should consider their children's age, experience and skills in deciding whether to allow them to ride a bicycle to school.

In accordance with law, all children riding a bicycle to Frenchtown elementary school (even as a passenger) must wear a properly fitted and fastened bicycle helmet. This requirement applies at all times while the bicycle is being operated on any property open to the public or used by the public for pedestrian and vehicular purposes. Any student in violation of the law may have the privilege of riding their bicycle to school revoked. The parent or guardian of that student may also be fined for subsequent offenses.

All students given permission to ride bicycles to and from school are required to:

- A. Wear an appropriate bicycle helmet. Any student riding a bicycle to school without a helmet will not be permitted to remove the bicycle from school property unless he/she is accompanied by a parent or guardian;
- B. Be responsible for the care of their bicycle and helmet, and properly rack and lock their bicycle while on school property;
- C. Display courtesy and consideration toward others while riding their bicycles to and from school (i.e. walking their bicycle across roads and amidst pedestrians);
- D. Comply with New Jersey state bicycle laws and regulation;
- E. Observe the designated school arrival and dismissal times.

The school is not responsible for the repair or replacement of damaged or stolen bicycles and/or helmets. Any student in violation of the law and/or this policy may have the privilege of riding their bicycle to school revoked.

Other Vehicles

At no time shall a student ride a motorized vehicle, of any type, to or from school or on school property.

The board also prohibits the use of skateboards, roller blades, and inline skates on school grounds and in the school building at any time by any persons.

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STUDENT VEHICLES (continued)

**Legal References:** N.J.S.A. 39:4-10.1 Bicycle and motorized bicycle regulations

**Possible**

**Cross References:** \*3516 Safety  
\*5131 Conduct and discipline  
\*5142 Student safety

\*Indicates the policy is included in the Critical Policy Reference Manual.