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<p>Statement</p>	<p>The development of bus stops will ensure the efficiency of the service while maximizing safety and reducing risks for students.</p> <p>Bus stops will not normally be located at the student's home in urban areas.</p> <p>Bus stops in rural areas where the homes are greater than 1 km apart will have home stops assigned.</p> <p>As per GT-006 it is the parent's responsibility to get their child safely to and from the designated bus stop and until they are safely on the bus.</p>										
<p>Procedures</p>	<p>The following factors will be used to determine bus stop location:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The distance motorists need to see and slow down for a school bus is a key factor in setting stops. The stops must be sited where they are clearly visible to motorists. The following table is a guide to the minimum distances from which drivers should be able to see a school bus that is stopped on a road. <table border="1" data-bbox="678 1354 1318 1551"> <thead> <tr> <th>Speed Limit</th> <th>Minimum distance (for cars coming from each direction)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>50 km/h</td> <td>125 m</td> </tr> <tr> <td>60 km/h</td> <td>150 m</td> </tr> <tr> <td>70 km/h</td> <td>175 m</td> </tr> <tr> <td>80 km/h</td> <td>200 m</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The better the visibility of a school bus, the greater the chance motorists will be able to stop in time. As a rule, we utilize the 200 m distance between bus stops, except under exceptional circumstances as determined by WESTS.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Adequate shoulder or lane width is needed so the students can safely wait to board the bus. The adequacy of the shoulder or lane is determined by WESTS. ➤ Any hazards that would impede the student's 	Speed Limit	Minimum distance (for cars coming from each direction)	50 km/h	125 m	60 km/h	150 m	70 km/h	175 m	80 km/h	200 m
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	<p>safety at the stops such as level crossings without signals; one-way bridges, bridges without pathways; or any identified hazard.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Bus stops will be a minimum of 200 meters apart to allow buses to get to speed and properly engage stopping procedures to alert motorists of the stop.➤ All stops on four lane roads will be right hand side pickups and drop offs. <p>All stops will meet the requirements of the Service Parameters Policy, GT-020.</p> <p>If staff are unsure regarding the physical aspects of the stop they will attend the site where the stop is planned for assessment purposes. Camera buses will be utilized to show bus stop placement. Bus operators may also be consulted regarding stop placements.</p>
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