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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Student Transportation of Eastern Ontario (STEO) along with the Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario (CDSBEO) and the Upper Canada District School Board (UCDSB) would like to remind you that the transportation policy currently identifies the following (maximum) distances for students to walk to school:

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Maximum Walking Distance to School</u>
Junior Kindergarten – Grade 3	0.8 kms
Grades 4 – 6	1.6 kms
Grades 7 – 12	2.0 kms

As a result of grade transition or relocation, your child(ren) may reside within the “walk zone” to their home school for the upcoming 2023-2024 school year.

Parents of students within the walk zone are responsible to arrange supervision for their children’s walk to school if necessary.

Parents of students in elementary grades who reside within the walk zone are encouraged to connect with their school principal or parent council to explore a walk-to-school or walking buddy program at your school.

**NEW:** STEO’s website now features a video called “[BLUE Presents: Tips to be safe on your walk to school](#)” for parents and schools. It can be found in both the Virtual Backpack and News sections of STEO’s website at [www.steo.ca](http://www.steo.ca)

You can also visit STEO’s website at [www.steo.ca](http://www.steo.ca) and click on the

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Please feel free to contact Student Transportation of Eastern Ontario at 1-855-925-0022 or [transportation@steo.ca](mailto:transportation@steo.ca) for any clarification you may require. We are available throughout the summer to assist.

Wishing you and your child a safe and successful school year!

*Parents can register for email notifications through the [STEO Parent Portal](#) or follow STEO on social media for transportation related updates. Stay tuned and stay safe!*