

Jackson Parish Police Jury

School Bus Turnarounds

Adopted by the Jackson Parish Police Jury effective May 13, 2019

School Bus Turnarounds Located on Public Roads

Policy Statement:

Pursuant to the requirements of R.S. 17:158, the Jackson Parish Police Jury ("JPPJ") will construct, operate and maintain school bus turnarounds on public roads, at the expense of, and at a location approved and accepted by the JPPJ, subject to the following stipulations. Advanced planning and coordination between the JPPJ and the Jackson Parish School Board ("JPSB") will greatly enhance JPPJ's ability to respond to requests for construction of school bus turnarounds.

If it is determined by the Parish Engineer that the school bus turnaround to be constructed will not benefit the Jackson Parish road system, the cost of the turnaround will be shared equally between the JPPJ and the JPSB.

Construction:

- The request for construction of the school bus turnarounds shall be submitted to the JPPJ by the superintendent of the JPSB or its designated representative. For roads located in a municipality the request shall be submitted by the governing authority.
- The request shall include:
 - The desired location and size of the requested turnaround. This information should be followed up with a field inspection of the desired location to ensure that both parties have a clear understanding of the scope of the request. The Jackson Parish Road Superintendent shall have the final say on the location of the permanent turnaround and must approve the location of the temporary turnaround if it is to be constructed at a location different than the permanent turnaround.
 - Right-of-Entry granted by the land owner where the property necessary to construct a turnaround will need to be acquired, obtained by the JPSB on a form prepared by the JPPJ.
- A copy of the request for assistance by the JPSB shall be submitted to:
 - Police Jury Secretary-Treasurer Jackson Parish Police Jury 500 E. Court Street, Room 301 Jonesboro, LA 71251
- Upon receipt of the request submitted by the JPSB, the JPPJ will construct a temporary turnaround out of gravel or other suitable material in the general location of the desired permanent location. During this time the JPPJ and the JPSB shall begin the process of securing the properties necessary for construction of a permanent turnaround. This process shall take no longer than one (1) year, following which time the request for the school bus turnaround shall be deemed abandoned and no further consideration shall be given for a school bus turnaround on this portion of the parish road system.



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- The JPSB shall assist the JPPJ as necessary to acquire a permanent right-of-way at a location determined by the JPPJ. If the JPPJ is unable to secure a right-of-way the process will halt and the temporary turnaround will remain in place, or will be removed and the existing right-of way will be restored to its original condition. No further construction or maintenance of the turnaround will be performed.
- Upon acquisition of the necessary right-of-way the JPPJ shall construct a school bus turnaround in compliance with Article II, §7. g) Dead End Roads of the Jackson Parish Subdivision Ordinance, where feasible.
- It is understood that at the completion of the project, the JPPJ will have ownership of the constructed bus turnaround for operation and maintenance and will be added to the Jackson Parish road system.

School Bus Turnarounds Located on Private Roads or Drives

Policy Statement:

The Jackson Parish Police Jury (JPPJ) will not participate in the construction of school bus turnarounds located outside of public rights-of-way, nor will it provide materials for that purpose.