

AFTER SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION

(3:30 P.M. COPELAND MIDDLE SCHOOL)

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REVIEW THE ROUTES BELOW FOR A LIST OF AFTER SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION BUS STOPS

RT 1 - West side of White Meadow – out Old Middle town – Richard Mine – Pic Ars

RT 2 - East side out Stoneybrook to Fleetwood –Townsquare – North St

RT 3 - Meridan – North – Green Pond Road

RT 4 - White Meadow Rd to Swede Mine through BWD - Mt Hope Ave -

CMS LATE BUS 1

| | | |
|----------------------|---|---|
| W. LK Shore | @ | 74 Jackson |
| Cayuga | | Miami Apache Delaware N. Brookside S. Brookside |
| S. Brookside | @ | Montauk |
| Montauk | @ | Middletown |
| Middletown | @ | Edgewood Ridge |
| Edgewood Circle | @ | Woodside Midway |
| Mt Hope Reservoir Rd | @ | Hunting Meadow Ct |
| | | Katherine Rd Old Middletown Sunrise Richard Mine Mt Hope Ave 613 Mt Hope Richard Mine Beverdam Everment |

CMS LATE BUS 2

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|-------------------|---|--|
| Seneca | @ | Onieda Iroquois Dacotah |
| | | STBK Entrance Stonebrook Rockaway RD |
| | @ | Mt Hope |
| | @ | Dehart Roy |
| Lee Ave Swedemine | @ | Mt Prospect Marvin Pierson Highland George Sunnyhill |
| | @ | Leonard |
| | @ | Daniel |
| | @ | Robert Highview Herrick/Erin Richard |
| Taylor | @ | Art/Daniel |
| Mt Pleasant | @ | Glen View Ct |
| Mt Hope | @ | Gaydos |

Richard Mine @ St Bernards
78 Richard Mine
Rock Hollow
Coburn
Mt View Manor

Union Turn Pike
Pic Ars @ 119 Farley
Main @ Caisson
Gately
Lk Denmark @ Snake Hill T.C.

Perry @
Taylor @
Crestmont @
Mt Hope @

Rustic Ridge
Crestmont
Mechanic
Samson
Guy & Berry
Lower Richard
Crestmont
Slope/Deddie
Boulders

CMS LATE BUS 3

Hibernia @ Iroquois
Calumet
Mohawk
Lk Shore
Wh Meadow
Omaha @ Shawnee
Valley View
Sanders @ Sherbrook
Braemar
Greenpond @ 39 Greenpond
Cody ct
Meridan @ 9 Meridan
OBG
OBG @ 1St Pillar
2nd Pillar
Beresford
1st Crescent
2nd Crescent
Meridan
Meridan @ Archer
Vista
Vista @ Timber
Timber @ Deerlea
DeerLea @ Decker
Splitrock @ 225
Lyonsville
Lyonsville @ Decker
Meridan

CMS LATE BUS 4

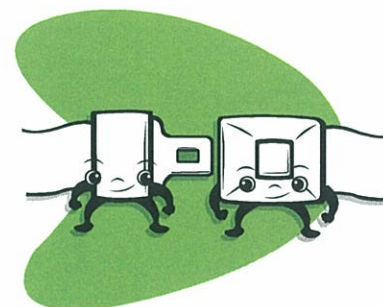
Wh Meadow @ Mountain
Seneca
Navajo
Seminole
Mountain @ Kaw
Wichita
Upper Mt @ Club House
Club House @ Wh Meadow
Wh Meadow @ Cherokee
Wh Meadow @ Comanche
Comanche @ Beach
Anderson
Erie @ Anderson
Valley View @ 150
124
87
Omaha @ Ellen
William
Ellen
Oakland @ Kaw
Leion @ Lea
Lea @ Robin/Marilyn
Robin Crown
King
Mt Pleasant @ Irwin
Irwin @ Lenox
Fleetwood @ Kings
Miller

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|-----------|---|-------------------|------------|--------------|
| Meridan | @ | Lee | | Lenox |
| Greenpond | @ | Maple Terrace | | Edith |
| | | New Row | | Stanley |
| | | Meggins | Townsquare | @ |
| | | Telemark Rd | | Schindler |
| | | Colonial | | Foxhut |
| | | KDM | Norh St | @ |
| | | Darlington | | Independence |
| | | LK DenMark | Hillside | @ |
| | | Red Oak/Long View | W. Dewey | @ |
| | | 690 | | Lewis |
| | | Marcella Center | | |
| | | Viking Auto | | |
| | | Henderson | | |
| | | Longview/Egberts | | |
| | | Lake End | | |
| | | Johnson | | |
| | | Pasha Ct | | |
| | | Craigmeir | | |
| | | 1289 | | |
| | | 1305 | | |

Seat Belt Tips for Students

Your seat belt is for your protection **Special Rules For All Students**

- Fasten seat belt immediately after taking a seat.
- Never swing loose ends of belt.
- Keep fingers away from the parts that click together.
- DO NOT unfasten the seat belt before the bus has stopped.
- Take turns holding each other's books and belongings while you get your belt fastened.



Did you know



Did you know that passing a school bus with "red flashing" lights is the law?

1st Offense - drivers who violate the law related to passing stopped school buses face fines not less than \$100, 15 days in jail, or 15 days of community service or both.

Subsequent Offense - drivers who violate the law related to passing stopped school buses face fines of not less than \$250 and 15 days in jail.

Upon conviction of passing a school bus offense, the driver is assessed five (5) motor vehicle and five (5) insurance points.

Legal Bus Stops

No pupil shall be allowed to enter/leave the bus at any place, other than his/her regularly assigned bus stop, without written consent from the Principal, as requested in writing by a parent.

Emergency Evacuation Drills

Did you know that students receive training on how to safely evacuate a school bus in the event of an emergency? These drills are performed twice a school year.

SCHOOL BUS SAFETY & PUPIL RESPONSIBILITY

Safety on the school bus is not solely the responsibility of the school administration and the bus driver. Safety is a matter of teamwork and requires the constant support and attention of the pupils and the parents as well as the personnel at the school.

All students who are transported are assigned to a specific bus route and bus stop. A bus pass is sent by mail with their bus route number and the time the bus will arrive at the bus stop. Bus drivers are instructed not to wait for children who are not at the bus stop at the designated time. Parents are requested to instruct their children to wait at the bus stop in an orderly manner.

NJ State Law, Chapter 18A:25-2 states: "The driver shall be in full charge of the school bus at all times and shall be responsible for order. The driver shall never exclude a pupil for the bus, but if unable to manage any pupil shall report the unmanageable pupil to the principal of the school. A pupil may be excluded from the bus for disciplinary reasons by the principal, and the parents shall provide transportation to and from school during the period of such exclusion." Bus transportation is an expensive PRIVILEGE for any student who is transported to and from school. Parents are legally responsible for actions or damages caused by their children.

Parents are, therefore, asked to:

- Help your child to develop habits of punctuality and be on time at the bus stop
- Insist on correct behavior when waiting for and riding the school bus.
- Refrain from asking the driver stop at places other than the assigned bus stop. He/she is not permitted to do so, except by proper authorization from the Transportation Office.
- Accompany young students to the bus stop each morning and meet the bus in the afternoon for the purpose of supervising conduct and early training in safety practices
- Pre-K and Kindergarten students MUST be met by a parent/guardian.
- Assume responsibility in training your child to cooperate with the driver.
- Cooperate with school officials in discharging discipline requirements in support of the Transportation Safety Program. *Parent attitude in this matter is extremely important.*

Parents should familiarize themselves with the list of transportation regulations. At the same time the importance of observing those regulations should be impressed upon the student, not only for his/her own safety, but to protect the lives of all students riding the school bus.

Help the driver maintain his/her schedule by making sure that pupils are ready on time. Bus schedules are planned with sufficient time for pupil loading at each stop, but no time has been allotted for tardy pupils.

PRIOR TO LOADING

- Be on time. Students should be at the bus stop 5 minutes prior to the scheduled time.
- Students should remain at least 5 feet back from the curb. NEVER stand in or move into the road as the bus approaches.
- Students must wait until the bus is completely motionless before boarding. NEVER crowding or pushing as the bus approaches.
- They should exhibit good behavior while waiting for the bus. Respect neighboring properties taking care not to damage or destroy any property at the bus stop.

WHILE ON THE BUS

- Move quickly to your assigned seat and buckle your seat belt. Do not stand or move from the seat while the bus is moving.
- Driver or school administrator may assign seats.
- Be courteous, talk softly and respect the space of other passengers.
- Listen and get in the habit of obeying the driver promptly.
- No eating, drinking or smoking on the bus.
- Never throw anything out of the bus window.
- Student must keep arms and all other parts of the body inside of the bus at all times.
- In case of emergency, remain in your seat until instructions are given.
- Report any damage to the bus to the driver.
- Assist in keeping the bus safe and clean at all times. The bus and its equipment serve a purpose. Tampering with any part may result in serious injury to yourself or others.



AFTER LEAVING THE BUS

- No pupil shall be allowed to enter/leave the bus at any place, other than his/her regular assigned bus stop, without written consent from the principal.
- When necessary to cross the street, move 10 feet in front of the bus and wait for the driver's signal to cross.
 - Walk quickly, don't loiter. **NEVER** got to the **REAR** of the **BUS** to **CROSS THE STREET**. Go home directly after exiting the bus.

CHANGE IN BUS STOP OR ROUTE

Requests for variation from regular bus route or stop will be considered only for: personal hardship or educational program.

Please note: Requests cannot be approved if the change would result in overcrowding of vehicle or the necessity of adding a new stop.

A note should be written to the child's principal. The principal/designee will issue a pass bus. This pass must be shown to the bus driver.

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Elementary students are transported on abbreviated routes for after school busing. Every attempt is made to utilize the student's regular bus stop. There are a few exceptions where a student's regular bus stop is not accessible on the abbreviated route and will be required to use the closest manageable bus stop. When this is the case you will be notified of the change in bus stop.

STUDENT POSSESSIONS

Items being carried on the school vehicle must be able to fit on the student's lap, under their seat or on their seat next to them, space permitting. Aisles and emergency exits need to remain clear of obstacles. An unsafe condition is created when pupils carry cumbersome items while entering and exiting the bus. Students who use backpacks with wheels are not permitted to roll them up/down the stairs or aisle. Please assist in teaching your student to carry their backpacks on/off the bus.

Items left on the bus remain on the bus. Personal belongings do not come into the office unless an inquiry is made and arrangements are made for a pick up at the Transportation Office.



MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS ON SCHOOL VEHICLES

| INSTRUMENTS ALLOWED | INSTRUMENTS NOT ALLOWED |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| Flute | Trombone |
| Clarinet | Baritone Horn |
| Alto Saxophone | Tenor & Baritone Saxophones |
| Trumpet | Alto & Bass Clarinets |
| Piccolo | Tuba |
| | French Horn |
| | Snare Drum |

