BUS STOP QUESTIONS ANSWERED-before school starts Please go over the transportation handbook online with your student before the school year begins.

Why do I need my student at the stop 5 minutes before the scheduled stop time?

This is because factors such as traffic and weather can cause delays or put the buses ahead of schedule. The buses cannot block traffic and need to continue their routes.

Why is my student on the bus for so long?

There is no maximum riding time in the law for school age children. The transportation routing dispatcher makes every attempt to consider the amount of time each student is on a bus when routing. We have no regular routes longer than 40 minutes and no special education-off island routes longer than 1 hour.

If my student is late, can they get on at another stop? Can my student ride another bus?

No. If you are late for your stop, your student cannot get on at another stop. No student can ride any bus except the one that they are routed on. This is for their own safety. It is not safe to unexpectedly run up to a bus stop. It also is the driver's responsibility to transport the student on their route and seats are not available for students not on that route.

What happens with time for a half day?

These days are run just like full days. If a student usually arrives home 20 minutes after bell time, they will arrive home 20 minutes after the half day bell time.

Can my kindergartener or young 5 be dropped off at the stop without an adult present?

Only if the kindergartener is accompanied by an older sibling and the parent has filled out a permissions slip. Otherwise, we ask an adult to be at the stop for these students.

How do I know if the bus is running late and other questions?

Traffic, weather and other conditions beyond our control can cause the bus to be late. In the event of any questions please call the bus yard 734-362-2451. During the first few weeks of school, we ask for patients as drivers are getting used to their routes and may field questions form parents at various stops, which may cause delays in the route.

<u>Is the school district required to transport my child? My school of choice student?</u> School districts are NOT required to transport regular education students.

Can the bus stop be moved closer to or at my house?

There are many factors which are considered when the transportation routing dispatcher establishes the placement of the school bus stops. Stops cannot be at everyone's house and go according to age on placement.

What about my student getting to and from the bus stop if there are no sidewalks or I live on a busy street?

It is the responsibility of the parent or guardian to see that their student gets safely to and from the bus stop. The school district provides transportation as a non-mandated service and establishes placement of bus stops in accordance with the requirements of the law.

Is there a specified distance that must be between stops?

Yes, there are federal, state laws. There are also district and company rules, regulations and guidelines.

Please call with any questions 734-362-2451

Meet the bus driver event will be on August 30th 4:00pm-7:00pm at the high school parking lot