

**CLEVER R-V SCHOOL DISTRICT  
TRANSPORTATION POLICY FAQ  
(Policy Changes to be implemented for the 2020-2021 School Year)**

**Q: Why is this change being made?**

A: Many factors were considered when making this change, but the safety and welfare of our students was by far the biggest concern. This change will allow us to know at all times the location of our students.

It will also go a long way to eliminate overcrowding on buses. Knowing how many students will be on each bus every day will allow the district to accurately track numbers and be financially responsible when making decisions regarding acquiring new buses.

When students are unsure of their daily routine, confusion can lead to children switching buses in the bus lane or being pulled from circle drive to board a bus, all of which leads to a delay in the buses leaving campus. This has in the past caused as much as a 25 minute delay, which leaves high school students waiting 25 minutes to board their bus.

**Q: Will my child be allowed to ride the bus home with a friend? (birthday parties, etc.)**

A: For safety reasons, our new procedures will not allow students to ride home with one another.

**Q: On early release Fridays, my child has different after school plans. Can we choose a different bus on Fridays?**

A: Each child will have only one designated drop off spot no matter what day of the week. The drop off location on Friday will be the same as Monday - Thursday.

**Q: What if I need to pick my student up in circle drive instead of sending them home on the bus?**

A: If your student is a bus rider but will be picked up in circle drive, you must call the appropriate school office before 2:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and 12:00 p.m. on Fridays.

**Q: Can my child ride the bus to the high school (or to the elemiddle) to meet a sibling?**

A: Students are not allowed to ride from one campus to another to meet a sibling. This has been a long-standing policy.

**Q: My child will get picked up in the morning at one location, but will need a different afternoon drop off location. Can I make arrangements for that?**

A: Yes. A student may need to be placed on one bus in the morning and a different bus in the afternoon. For example, a morning pick up is at the student's home and the afternoon drop-off is at the residence of a babysitter. This will ONLY be approved if both addresses are within the Clever R-V District boundaries. When a student will have a drop off location that is different from the pick up location, a Transportation Waiver must be filled out. Transportation Waivers will be available in each office.

**Q: If needed, are there any after school programs offered by Clever Schools?**

A: After school care is available at the EleMiddle campus and is provided by the YMCA. For information, please contact the Pat Jones YMCA at (417) 881-1599.

**Q: Who do I call if I have questions?**

A: If you have any further questions regarding the implementation of this new policy, please contact Teresa Butler in our transportation department at 417-221-7803.

