

## "Excellence in Education is a Tradition"

Dear Northwestern Families,

Northwestern School Corporation will be using Here Comes the Bus®, a mobile device app and website, again for the 2021-2022 school year.

Here Comes the Bus® is a bus tracking software tool that helps to keep you informed and your children safe as they travel to and from home and school on the school bus. Here Comes the Bus® gives you real-time bus location and alerts to help you get your children to the bus stop just ahead of the bus's arrival.

This easy-to-use technology is <u>free</u> to you! Simply download the *Here Comes the Bus* app, create a secure account, add your students, and you're all set!

What will you see with Here Comes the Bus®?

- Real-time location of your child's bus on a map
- Scheduled and actual bus arrival times at home or pick-up/drop-off location
- Confirmation that your child's bus has arrived at the designated stop
- Push notification\* and email alert when the bus has entered the radius around the home stop

Here Comes the Bus® is powered by Synovia Solutions<sup>TM</sup>, makers of the GPS-tracking technology used by Northwestern School Corporation to increase safety and cost savings as it relates to our school bus fleet.

Available in (3) languages (English, Spanish, and French), the *Here Comes the Bus*® app can be downloaded from the App Store or Google Play.

How to get started:

- 1) Download the Here Comes the Bus app\* or visit http://www.herecomesthebus.com
- 2) Click the button in the upper right-hand corner of the screen.
- 3) Click on "Sign Up" Today!



4) Click on "I have the code" and enter your email address and name. The school code is 85040.

5) Create a Password.

- 6) You will receive an email from noreply@synovia.com to finish registration. Click on Activate My Account to finish registration.
- 7) Under "My Students", click ADD. Enter your child's last name and student food service keypad number (this 6-digit number can be found on Skyward Family Access under the Food Service tab).
- 8) Once you confirm your information, you're ready to begin using *Here Comes the Bus*.

Should you have any questions, please contact Amber Collins in the Transportation Office by phone at 457-8101, ext. 1105, or through email at <a href="mailto:amber.collins@nwsc.k12.in.us">amber.collins@nwsc.k12.in.us</a>

Sincerely,

Jeff Layden Director of Operations Northwestern School Corporation





**Enter School Code** 

To create your account, you need your School District Code

