

Student Transportation Update – Tuesday August 21st, 2018



Dear Parent/Guardian:

With less than 2 weeks to go before schools start we wanted to update families on the status of school bus transportation in Toronto. We have been receiving weekly reports throughout the summer from our school bus operators including:

Attridge Transportation
First student Canada
McCluskey Transportation
Sharp Bus Lines
Stock Transportation
Switzer-Carty Transportation
Wheelchair Accessible Transit

and last week they confirmed for us that they had sufficient drivers to cover all routes and sufficient spare drivers to ensure proper coverage of the school bus routes. They continue to recruit and train drivers knowing that some drivers will leave the industry shortly after school start-up.

Over the next week, school bus operators will have completed start-up meetings with their drivers and assigned all routes. We have requested that we receive a detailed report identifying the driver assigned to each route so that we can be sure that there are no routes without drivers. Should the need arise, we have confirmation from multiple school bus operators that they have the capacity to take on additional work. You can also expect to see many of the buses out on the roads over the next two weeks performing dry runs to ensure drivers are comfortable with their routes and that the scheduled times are accurate.

Thanks to all families who have signed up on the transportation portal as it will allow us to communicate and keep you updated on service related issues. If you haven't signed up yet, please visit <https://busplannerweb.torontoschoolbus.org/Subscriptions/Login.aspx>. The portal will continue to be your one stop shop for valuable information.

If you have any issues signing up on the portal, please contact us at support@torontoschoolbus.org and staff will assist you with the registration of your account.

We hope that everyone continues to enjoy the rest of summer and we look forward to a successful start to the 2018-19.

If you have any general transportation inquiries please contact us at transportation@torontoschoolbus.org

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