Transportation Partners

The TSTG has a number of transportation providers that make student transportation services possible.

We've indicated the names and phone numbers for these bus operators. Should you require further details you can visit our website at www.torontoschoolbus.org or call the Transportation Consortium at the numbers listed on the back of this brochure.

Attridge Transportation 416-255-5199

Dignity Transportation 416-398-2109

First Student Canada

Ajax 905-683-2350

Markham 905-294-5104

Toronto 416-444-7030

McCluskey 416-246-1422

Sharp Bus Lines 416-477-4804

Stock Transportation

East 416-754-4949

North 416-757-0565

West 416-244-5341

Switzer-Carty 905-361-1084

Wheelchair Accessible Transit

416-884-9898



2 Trethewey Drive Toronto, Ontario M6M 4A8 Phone: 416-394-4287 Fax: 416-394-3806 www.torontoschoolbus.org

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Student Transportation Services

In order to ensure education is available for each and every child in the City of Toronto, the Toronto Student Transportation Group (TSTG) was formed to facilitate student transportation services for the Toronto District School Board (TDSB) and the Toronto Catholic District School Board (TCDSB). Transportation is provided in accordance with the transportation policies approved by each School Board.

In order to identify if your child is eligible for transportation to a particular school please visit our website at www.torontoschoolbus.org or call



Toronto Student Transportation Group arranges transportation for 45,000 students daily

the Transportation Consortium at the number on the back panel of this brochure.

The Transportation
Consortium asks
the cooperation of
the whole community in its efforts to
provide safe and
dependable trans-

portation for the more than 45,000 students who use the service each day.

Your Responsibility as a Parent

- Parents are responsible for their children's safety before they board their school bus, and after they are dropped off in the afternoon.
- While on the bus, students are responsible to the school principal for their conduct.
- Ensure your child knows what to do at the bus stop in the event the bus is late.

- Transportation privileges may be revoked if a student's behaviour creates problems; the length of suspension will vary with the severity of the incident. If transportation privileges are revoked it becomes the parent's responsibility to transport the child to and from school for the duration of the suspension.
- Parents always have the option to transport their children to and from school in cases of inclement weather or mechanical difficulty. Unless cancelled, busses will be dispatched but may be late.
- If transportation arrangements for your child needs to be changed, the Board requires 72 hours in order to implement changes.
- If your child needs to be met at the bus drop off and you are not able to receive your child please arrange for another adult to meet your child or contact the school <u>before</u> dismissal and arrange for pickup at the school.
- Ensure your child knows what stop to get off at and understands what to do in the event they do not see you at the stop to greet them.

Your Responsibility as a Motorist

- Motorists meeting a school bus with overhead red lights flashing must stop unless on a highway divided by a median strip.
- Motorists approaching a stopped school bus must stop at least 20 metres before reaching the bus.
 Motorists may proceed only after the bus resumes motion or the lights have ceased flashing. The law applies everywhere regardless of the posted speed limit. Failing to stop can result in a fine of \$400 -\$2000 on first offence with 6 demerit points.

Your Responsibility as a Student Waiting for the Bus.



Over 800 schools and centres are serviced by the Toronto Student Transportation Group

- Be at the pickup point early . Drivers cannot wait for latecomers.
- Do not abuse the privilege of waiting on or near private property for the school bus.
- Wait in single file well

away from the roadway until the driver stops the

bus, then board the bus in an orderly fashion.

Your Responsibility as a Student On the Bus

- The driver is in charge of the bus and must be obeyed at all times. School patrollers should be accorded the same respect.
- Sit where the driver tells you and remain seated for the duration of the trip.
- Be quiet and behave sensibly. Horseplay, fighting, eating, smoking, and foul language are forbidden.
- Keep your belongings on your lap or under the seat;
 the aisle must be left clear.
- Never throw anything inside the bus or out the window.
- Respect the bus equipment. Students will be held responsible for any damages to the bus.
- Avoid conversation with and distracting of the bus driver while the vehicle is in operation.

Your Responsibility as a Student Leaving the Bus

- You may leave the bus only at regular stops.
- If you drop something under the bus, notify the driver; don't try and retrieve it yourself.
- Never cross the road behind a school bus. Cross in front of the bus where the driver can see you.
- Recognize the stop that you are to get off at and only disembark at.
- If someone is to meet you at the bus and you do not see them, do not get off the bus; advise the driver and they will assist you.

Inclement Weather

The Boards may cancel transportation due to inclement weather. Information concerning bus cancellations will be reported to most radio and television stations for broadcast by 7:00AM.