

STUDENT TRANSPORTATION & FLEET SERVICES

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Come to Open House at our Transportation Terminals!
- **Saturday & Sunday**
- **August 20th & 21st, 2011**
- **9:00am-5:00pm**
- **Have all your Transportation Questions Answered**
- **Topics to Discuss:**
 - First day of school
 - Which students are eligible
 - Bus stop assignments
 - Bus passes
 - Special Needs Students
 - Alternate Stop Requests
 - Depot Stops

Terminal Locations

North

Lisa McBride, Manager
Routes 1000-1999
1751 NW 22nd Avenue
Pompano Beach, FL
754-321-4000

Northwest

Eugene Williams, Manager
Routes 5000-5999
2600 NW 18th Terrace
Pompano Beach, FL
754-321-4050

Central

Carolyn Fuller, Manager
Routes 2000-2999
3831 NW 10th Avenue
Oakland Park, FL
754-321-4480

West Central

Rolando Alvarez, Manager
Routes 4000-4999
2320 College Avenue
Davie, FL
754-321-4150

South

Fernando Staple, Manager
Routes 3000-3999
900 S. University Drive
Pembroke Pines, FL
754-321-4100

Welcome Back to School!

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Transportation News



In order to reduce operational costs, transportation has implemented the following initiatives: 1) utilization of more “depot” stops at our middle and high schools, and 2) maximization of bus capacity!

What are “depot” stops? Depot stops are permanently established bus stops located throughout the district. The depot bus stops are placed at strategic locations to best serve the needs of all eligible students in that area and are usually located at an elementary school site.

Expect school buses to be filled to capacity in order to maximize use, and less community stops. We expect no significant changes in special needs transportation.

Parents, please review the Student Code of Conduct with your students. Please remind students that they are expected to behave properly while riding the bus as the school bus is an extension of the classroom. It is vital for bus operators, parents, students, and school administration to all work together to ensure safe and timely school bus transportation.

Alternate bus stop policy has been suspended due to budget

restrictions.

Parents will receive a mailer the week prior to school opening indicating their student’s bus route number, bus stop location and pickup time. Please have your student ready and waiting at the designated location 10 minutes prior to the scheduled time. There is a 10 minute window prior and after the scheduled time to allow for traffic congestion. **OSP students** will receive their bus stop assignment by “Parent Link” only.

It is the parent’s responsibility to ensure safe arrival and pickup at their student’s bus stop location. All students 9 and under shall be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Please have your student arrive 10 minutes prior to their scheduled pickup time.

Safety First! Please place bus tag label on your first time bus rider with name, address, phone number and bus route information.

If you have moved, please make sure you have updated your address and phone number at your student’s school. This will expedite assigning your student to a bus route.

Choice students not registered by May 31, 2011, will have a delay in bus route assignments.

We ask for your patience the first two weeks of school. Top priority will be given to those students who have not yet received their bus assignment or bus stop locations.

Please attend our transportation “Open House” to answer any questions you may have.



Transportation concerns should be directed to your school’s transportation liaison who will utilize our “online” transportation concern form. A tracking number will be provided to the parent to ensure timely responses to their concerns as well as eliminate the need to repeat information.

Empty Seat Policy begins October 1, 2011. Empty Seat applications may be attained at your student’s school location. Once the number of available of seats are provided to the schools in October the principal approves the applications based on Policy 5300 guidelines.

Important Transportation Links

The Florida Department of Education’s Administrative Rules set the criteria guidelines for transportation. These can be viewed at <https://www.flrules.org/gateway/ChapterHome.asp?Chapter=6A-3>

Please visit our Transportation website for answers to frequently asked questions at <http://www.pupiltrans.org/faq.htm>

Remember, it is important for parents and/or guardians to know their student’s bus route information. Please direct any transportation concerns to your transportation liaison at your student’s school site, this will facilitate transportation addressing any problem you may have.

School Board policies can be viewed online at <http://www.broward.k12.fl.us/sbbcpolicies/>

Special Needs Students

Please work with the ESE Specialist at your student’s school to address any special transportation requirements you may have. This includes Section 504 students as well as students who require a “Individual Education Plan”.