

Transportation FAQ

Q. What if I'm not sure my student will need bus transportation for next year, why should I register now?

A. Registration is on a first come basis. Once we have filled a bus for a particular bus route, we will start a waiting list to see if there is a need for a second bus for that route. We will only provide a second bus if we are guaranteed 50 additional riders. You may receive a full refund, if requested in writing by the first day of school.

Q. Are all students guaranteed a seat on the bus?

A. Registration is on a first come basis.

Q. Can we purchase a one-way bus pass?

A. Yes. Bus passes are available as one-way AM, one-way PM, and round trip. One-way PM and round trip include access to the late activity buses.

Q. What are late activity buses?

A. The late activity buses run Mon. - Fri. at 4:00 P.M. and 6:30 P.M.

From the Northfield Campus - 4:00 PM, 5:00 PM, and 6:00 PM.

From the Winnetka Campus - 4:30 PM, 5:30 PM, and 6:30 PM

Students are welcome to take a late activity bus any day that they might have to stay after school for an activity, sporting event, etc. Please note that activity passes are not sold individually. One-way PM and round trip include access to the late activity buses.

Q. Are there early morning activity buses?

A. No.

Q. Can you purchase semester bus passes?

A. Yes. We sell bus passes by semester or for entire school year.

Q. Once we register for the bus how do we get the bus pass?

A. The student's bus privilege is noted on the student id. Students will receive their id's during their advisory period the first day of classes. After the first day students must carry their ids in order to ride the bus.

Q. Why doesn't the bus stop right in front of my house?

A. The average bus stop is 2 - 3 blocks from a student's home. In the interest of keeping costs down, we use one set of buses to transport students from both schools. In order to get all students to school on time we have designated stops that have the most ridership.

Q. Can we request a special bus stop?

A. As a general rule, no. Our bus routes and stops have stayed relatively consistent for the past few years. We make every effort to maintain stability in bus routes and stops.

Exceptions made are for safety reasons, which the district office and Bus Company determine together.

Q. What if I think I will need financial assistance to help with the payment of the bus fee?

A. Financial assistance is not determined in the district office. Financial assistance must be applied for each year. You may request a form from the Assistant Principal's office at the Winnetka Campus (847.784.2214).