

Important Information for New Kindergarten Students

Welcome to the School Bus!

Dear Parents, Guardians,

Starting school is an exciting milestone, and we're here to make your child's journey safe and seamless. Here's some information you need to know about using the school bus service provided by the Sudbury Student Services Consortium.

How to Register for Bussing:

Registering for school bus transportation is quick and easy. Follow these steps:

1. Visit our website: www.businfo.ca.
2. Click on the "NEW REGISTRATIONS" section.
3. Complete the online registration form with your child's information, including their school and home address.
4. Submit the form before August 1st to ensure transportation is arranged for the first day of school.

Eligibility Policy:

Transportation eligibility is based on your transportation address and distance to the school.

- Junior Kindergarten and Kindergarten: Eligible for transportation, may be required to walk to a central stop.
- Grades 1-3: Eligible if the transportation address is more than 1.0 km from the school.
- Grades 4-8: Eligible if the transportation address is more than 1.6 km from the school.
- Grades 9-12: Eligible if the transportation address is more than 2.5 km from the school.

Not sure if your child qualifies? Use our Eligibility Tool on the website.

Embarkation and Debarcation Policy:

Safety is our priority, especially for our youngest passengers:

- Morning Pick-Up: Ensure an adult is present at the bus stop to assist your child if needed.
- After School Drop-Off: Junior and Senior Kindergarten students must be met by a parent/guardian or a designated adult at the bus stop.

First Time Rider Session:

To help ease the transition to school bus transportation, the Consortium organizes a First Time Rider Session in August. This fun and educational event allows children to:

- Learn safety procedures with the help of Buster the Bus, our friendly robotic bus.
- Participate in a practice run to experience riding the bus.

More information, including registration details, will be sent to parents during the summer.

Helpful Tips for Parents:

- Practice the Routine: Before school starts, practice walking to the bus stop and review bus safety rules.
- Be On Time: Arrive at the bus stop at least 5-10 minutes before the scheduled pick-up time.
- Label Belongings: Clearly label your child's backpack and belongings to avoid mix-ups.
- Dress for Weather: Ensure your child is dressed appropriately for outdoor conditions.



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We look forward to welcoming your child aboard!
Together, we'll make this school year a safe and successful experience.



Attendance Cards for School Bus Safety

Welcome to School!



Dear Parents, Guardians,

We're excited to introduce a safety feature for your child's school transportation! Each student will receive an Attendance Card from their school, which will assist in monitoring their boarding and exiting from the bus. You could also print the card from the Consortium's parent portal found on our website.

How It Works:

Boarding & Exiting: Your child will use this card when getting on and off the bus. This action will automatically sign them onto the bus list.

Real-Time Updates: You'll receive up-to-date information on your child's transportation status, such as when they board the bus or arrive at school.

Stay Informed with the mTransport App:

Download the App: To receive these updates, simply download the mTransport app by scanning the QR code

Safe & Secure: The application is designed with your child's safety and privacy in mind. The QR code does not store any confidential information, ensuring that if the card is lost, there's no risk to your child's privacy.

Benefits:

Enhanced Safety: This tool provides reliable information to you, the school, the consortium and the bus operator, especially in case of incidents or collisions.

Peace of Mind: With the mTransport app, you can rest assured that your child's transportation updates are always accessible.



Thank you for your cooperation in helping us enhance the safety and reliability of our school transportation system!

