

Transportation Update
June 20th, 2012



Transportation Services has been progressing with several projects in preparations for September 2012

1. TTCAP Update
2. Route Review Update

TTCAP Update

1. The website is being designed and expected to be available any day. Transportation Services are preparing final drafts of school bus routes and anticipate the site to contain June.
2. The TCCP site will include additional information such as a TTCAP summary with the annual Route Review process outlined, Transportation information and more importantly an opportunity for parents to provide feedback
3. Route Information will be uploaded to the website under the Transportation area of the website. School bus route maps showing stop locations and times will be available as will lists of routes and drivers in each area.
4. Route Review processes have been established and are being finalized for distribution
5. Ideas for distribution of information and Public awareness initiatives are being discussed to ensure we inform the community and schools of the TTCAP/Route Review process and engaging our stakeholders.

Annual Route Review Update

- Transportation Services has met with all drivers, in all areas to discuss current concerns or potential changes for September
- Transportation has met with Edson/Hinton Principals to confirm Bell Times vs Bus arrival and drop off
- We are currently reviewing routes and have flagged items such as - Student pick ups with a ride time that exceeds 75 minutes, Transfer students, New Student locations for Sept, route direction (in areas where more than one route uses the same roads) and efficiency.
- Proposed changes are being drafted and school bus drivers will drive to establish a time schedule (before the end of June) and return the results back to Transportation for review
- Transportation Services is working on resolve of concerns documented throughout the year and flagged for follow up during the review process. New concerns are being addressed as they are received in Transportation Services
- Internal stakeholders will be updated at the end of June before any route information is uploaded to the website
- Proposed changes will be summarized and placed on the Transportation site for review (July), comment and feedback from External stakeholders
- Parents can access the route information by visiting the website or contacting Transportation, we can mail them printed matter or have them visit our office for information.
- All school bus routes for September 2012 will be finalized in August and available online, or at Transportation Services.
- Media release on radio "Back To School" will launch in August and will provide communities with important School Bus Information for Sept, including where to access route information and several other key "School Bus Safety" messages.

- Finalized Routes will be posted in newspaper two weeks before school start

Parents will have an opportunity to respond to the changes and express their concerns once the routes are posted on the website in June. Parents will also find other useful information on the site such as the **TCCAP Summary** and the **Route Review Summary** (available soon).

*We are not looking at major changes to the bus routes. Ride times that exceed 75 minutes are a priority as is route direction clean up where we have several bus routes in one area traveling over the same roads. Currently adjustments in Hinton and Edson are being reviewed. Principals will receive an update before the end of June and an email notice when updates are applied to the routes.