



New Student Transportation Agreement in Grande Cache Area

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Northland School Division (NSD) and Grande Yellowhead Public School Division (GYPSD) are pleased to announce that they have recently signed a co-operative transportation agreement which will improve transportation services for all students in Northland and GYPSD School Divisions. NSD students attend Susa Creek School from kindergarten to Grade 8 and then transfer to GYPSD's Grande Cache Community High School for their remaining high school years. Under the new agreement, GYPSD will begin transporting all students who reside in the NSD and GYPSD attendance zones in the Grande Cache area, effective September 1st.

"I am pleased we were able to work out a resolution to better serve our families with respect to school transportation," Gord Atkinson, Superintendent of Schools. "This agreement will help eliminate confusion for parents, school staff and division staff for NSD and GYPSD."

Grande Yellowhead's Superintendent Lewis concurred. "This new agreement will streamline the transportation process for students in this community, regardless of which school they attend. Now there is one point of contact for families to register their child for transportation or to address any concerns they may have. We have several co-operative bussing agreements in place with other school divisions throughout our communities and these arrangements work very well for everyone involved."

GYPSD transportation staff are currently designing routes for the Grande Cache – Susa Creek students and bus drivers will contact all parents of students registered to ride the bus, before the first day of school. Parents are to register their children for the school bus by contacting GYPSD Transportation Services at toll free 1-800-723-2564, locally at 780-723-4471 or register online at www.gypsd.ca and select Transportation/Parents/School Bus Registration. Parents may contact Susa Creek School's administration if they have any concerns as well.

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