

April 7, 2025

## Dear Parents/Guardians:

Please be aware of the school bus registration process outlined in this letter and the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) document attached.

Registration for district school bus service for the 2025-26 school year will be April 15 to June 30, 2025.

Applications must be completed via the on-line application form which can be located on the Surrey School District website **Student Bus Services** here: <a href="https://www.surreyschools.ca/page/32325/student-bus-services">https://www.surreyschools.ca/page/32325/student-bus-services</a>

If you do not have access to complete the on-line form, please speak to your school office.

Please note: The application process will close after the deadline date of June 30, 2025.

Registrations received after that date will be processed beginning September 15 and will be subject to a waitlist.

### **District Bus Service Eligibility**

Students who are residents of the cities of Surrey or White Rock and who meet the following criteria, will be considered eligible for district school bus transportation to and from their catchment school. This will apply to all students regardless of their busing history.

# 1. Kindergarten to Grade 3

Students who live in a residence that is located *more than 4 km* walking distance from their *catchment* school.

## 2. Grade 4 to Grade 12

Students who live in a residence that is located *more than 4.8 km walking distance* from their *catchment* school.

#### 3. Sale of Bus Passes

If seats remain available courtesy rider passes will be considered for purchase by resident students who are not otherwise eligible for transportation as indicated in 1. and 2. above. Purchased passes are subject to the conditions outlined in the FAQs document and may not be assigned prior to school start. Students will be contacted by their school if they have been awarded a seat. Families must make alternate transportation arrangements until a seat is awarded. The pricing is \$300/year per student. Siblings will be charged \$150/year.

#### Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Attached with this letter and available on the Surrey Schools website is a two-page document of frequently asked questions that pertain to district school busing. Please read through this document and ensure you are familiar with the information provided. More information can also be found in the <u>Student Busing Guidelines for Families</u> located on the Student Bus Services webpage.

Additional questions can be directed to your school office, directly to the Transportation department email at FACL-Transportation-mail@surreyschools.ca, or by phone at 604-572-0500.

Kind Regards,

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