



MONTCLAIR KIMBERLEY ACADEMY

Private Busing

MKA contracts with private bus companies to provide transportation to and from school, providing that ridership warrants a route in a given area.

Information presented below includes both current information for the 2019-2020 school year as well as new changes that will be implemented in 2020-2021.

Bus Times

Buses will run to all 3 campuses in the mornings with drop-offs scheduled before the following times:

- 7:40 a.m. Middle School Campus
- 7:50 a.m. Upper School Campus
- 7:55 a.m. Primary School Campus

Afternoon buses will leave the campuses at the following times:

- 4:00 p.m. Upper School Campus
- 4:15 p.m. Middle School Campus

Supervision for Middle School students taking the bus, who are not involved in after-school activities, will be provided by the school at no additional cost. A supervised study hall with homework assistance will be provided for these Middle School students.

Buses will continue to run at 2:30 p.m. from Primary School, if there is adequate ridership to support these routes.

Routes

On some routes centralized stops, or a stop at your nearest intersection may be required, and the bus companies cannot always guarantee door-to-door busing. Bus routes, and the areas served, require minimum ridership and, therefore, may change annually with changes in enrollment patterns.

Fees

Bus companies charge a flat fee for each bus route regardless of the number of students being transported in a bus or the area that the bus serves, so we are no longer able to offer zoned bus fares. We estimate bus fares will be from \$4,800-\$5,000 for a round trip and \$3,600 for one-way transportation for the 2020-2021 school year. Fees cannot be pro-rated for semesters as we are required to contract annually with the bus company.

Late Routes

Late buses departing at 6 p.m. will be available but are dependent on a minimum ridership. These routes will go to centralized stops along the route and will not be door-to-door. There is an additional fee for this service. The final fee will be based upon the ridership by route (the minimum fee is \$500). Half year registrations will be available for this service.

Train Shuttles

For the 2020-21 school year, MKA is committed to providing a courtesy shuttle to the following stations:

- Bay Street Station
- Clifton
- Highland Avenue

Other Options

A growing number of families use ride share services that are specifically set up for children to use. The company below serves our area and may provide a cost-effective and flexible solution for families:

- [One-Step Ride](#)

For more information, please visit our [website](#).