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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Parents of students entering 6<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grades and secondary school principals

FROM: Kevin Hook, Director of Transportation

DATE: August 12, 2024

SUBJECT: Transportation to 6th and 9th Grade Orientation Programs on Monday, August 26, 2024

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All bus routes will be performed on Orientation Day. That morning, the routes will run at the same time as the 180 days of the school year, to mirror the predicted pick-up times in the planned routes. The normal bus stop locations will be used to pick up and drop off students. Before Orientation Day, please go to the CCPS website to Departments →Transportation →Transportation Safety →Bus Rider Rules to review information designed to enhance safety for your student; the Regulations for Riding the School Bus. Families should review school bus safety rules during the school year, as well.

Bus stop information is based on your home address unless you have provided a different pick-up and drop-off location to your child's school. Please contact your child's school to make any corrections to the student database. That must take place before the routing software is updated.

- After August 12, 2024, Transportation information may be found in your student's Home Access Center (HAC)
- Sign up for the "Here Comes the Bus" (HCTB) website and app to find the most current bus stop information for your student. Here is how to get started:
  - o Download the free app "Here Comes the Bus" by Synovia Solutions, LLC from your app store or visit <a href="https://www.herecomesthebus.com">www.herecomesthebus.com</a>.
  - o Follow the steps to set up your account. (You will need to know your child's Student ID#.) Our district code is **87557**.

Parents of students who will be new to the school, but in grades 7-8 or 10-12, must contact the secondary school in advance of Orientation Day to determine if their child(ren) may also attend the 6<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade program. With school approval, they may also ride the buses on Orientation Day.

6th & 9th GRADE ORIENTATIONS	PICK UP TIMES	PROGRAM TIMES	DROP OFF TIMES
All high schools	6:10 a.m. to 6:45 a.m.	7:15 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.	10:20 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.
All middle schools	7:10 a.m. to 7:45 a.m.	8:10 a.m. to 11:10 a.m.	11:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

The expectation is that parents have students outside of the home and at their assigned bus stop ten to fifteen (10-15) minutes before the established time for the first week of school.