



RISD Families,

Below is important information about changes for Bus Riders.

BUS RIDER ELIGIBILITY

Rockdale ISD is experiencing a shortage of Bus Drivers this year that requires us to extend the walk zone for JH and HS students. This will allow us to continue providing service for students where it is impossible and/or dangerous for them to walk to school. Please review the <u>BUS ELIGIBILITY MAP</u> to see if the service has changed for your area and contact transportation if you have questions.

Junior High and High School students that live in the ORANGE area of the map are now in the Walk Zone.

BUS PASSES

Bus passes will not be available this year and parents may not call campuses to change the drop off location. Parents are asked to indicate a regular drop off location and families need to make arrangements for children to be picked up from school or for someone to be at their assigned location to receive them.

SMART TAG

Our schools will soon be launching SMART tag which will change how students ride the bus. These exciting changes will improve student safety and security while riding our buses. SMART tag is a student ridership authorization solution, which, simply put, will ensure your child is getting on the right bus and off at the right stop. Click here to view the <u>Welcome to the SMART tag Family Letter</u>. (Spanish)

BUS ROUTES

Click here to view the <u>BUS ROUTES</u> for the new school year. These can also be found on our website rockdaleisd.net > Departments > <u>Transportation</u>

BUS EXPECTATIONS

Transportation expectations can be found in the <u>RISD Student Handbook</u> (<u>Spanish</u>) beginning on Page 111.

If you have any questions for transportation, you may contact Robert Hunter at <u>rhunter@rockdaleisd.net</u> or 512-430-6020, ext 1212.

Thank you,

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