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Dear Parent/Guardian:

This letter contains information regarding your child's transportation for the 2023-24 school year. Please review this information carefully to help assist in a smooth beginning to the school year for your child(ren).

For information regarding bus stop location, time of pick-up and drop-off for students in grades Kindergarten through Grade 12, parents should go on the District website <http://www.millerplace.k12.ny.us> and then click on the SchoolTool parent portal link. Please note that only kindergarten students will be receiving a school bus pass by mail. If you have any problems accessing your SchoolTool account, please contact District Office at (631) 474-2700 extension 728. If you need any other transportation information, please contact the Transportation Office at (631) 474-2700 extension 730.

If an alternative bus stop is required for grade K-5 students, it must be requested on the Childcare Transportation Request Form and approved by the Transportation Office. All Andrew Muller Primary School student(s) must be met by a parent/guardian at the bus stop or the student(s) will be returned to the AMPS building unless a signed authorization form is on file with the Transportation Office (see Bus Stop Dropoff without Parent (Guardian) Present Form).

Bus stops have been established using the criteria delineated in Board of Education policy. It should be noted that Board policy carries the weight of municipal law and, unless provided for within the policy, does not permit any exceptions. Board policy can be found on the District website. For those District residents who live on streets that end in a cul-de-sac or in private gated communities, please refer to Board of Education Policy 8411.

For safety purposes (so that buses do not become overloaded and that we know if any unauthorized person attempts to board a bus), we have assigned all students to a specific bus stop for pick-up and drop-off. As a reminder, students are not allowed to switch buses. The bus company has been directed to instruct all bus drivers to deny boarding to any student who is not assigned to the specific bus or stop. A student may be assigned to another established bus stop so long as a written request is made to the Transportation Office on or after October 1, 2023. All reasonable requests for reassignment of a student to another established bus stop may be granted unless doing so will create an unsafe overcrowding situation. We are asking students to be out 10 to 15 minutes before the scheduled pickup time until the route times are better established.

Please accept our best wishes for a healthy and successful school year. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Transportation Coordinator at (631) 474-2700 ext. 730 or email rtambasc@millerplace.k12.ny.us.

Best regards,

Colleen V. Card

School Business Official