



TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT PROCEDURES FOR PARENTS

Regular transportation is available for students who live two miles or more from their assigned school. Students with special needs are an exception to this rule as long as they have approval from an ARD committee. Bus routes are created to enhance student safety while maximizing vehicle efficiency. School bus stops are created that allow students to wait off the main roadway for the bus if at all possible. Bus stops are also created to minimize students walking on highly traveled roadways for long distances. Stops are not placed in cul-de-sacs or dead end streets. Stops are spread as far apart as criteria will allow in order to decrease the number of stops each bus will make thus minimizing riding time for the students. Regular transportation attempts to arrive at every bus stop on time. Due to unscheduled variances and traffic situations, students are asked to arrive at the bus stop 5 minutes prior to scheduled pick up time. Bus drivers are instructed not to wait for late students or stop and open the door at unauthorized stops due to safety concerns. It is the parents responsibility to transport their child/children to school or home if the student misses the bus.

Pre-Kindergarten through 1st grade students must have a parent, approved adult, or sibling (3rd grade or older) present at the bus stop in order for the younger student to be released from the bus. If no adult or sibling is present, or the parent/approved adults cannot be contacted, the student(s) will be taken back to thier assigned campus.

All students must ride their assigned bus. Bus-hopping or changing from assigned buses is not permitted.

Elementary students may be required to walk up to .20 of a mile to a bus stop.

Middle/JR High students may be required to walk up to .35 of a mile to a bus stop.

High School students may be required to walk up to .50 of a mile to a bus stop.

All items brought on board the bus must fit in the student's lap. Please make special arrangements for transporting large articles such as large band instruments, large projects, sports equipment or any other item that would take up another student's seat. Allowable items must be completely concealed in a duffel bag or backpack and not visible to the driver or students.

An online School Bus Registration Form shall be completed for each student each school year. Please allow up to 5 business days for processing new registrations.

If you have any questions or if your child will be receiving Special Education Services, please contact Celina ISD Transportation office at 469-742-9114 or email Transportation@celinaisd.com