

Routing Guidelines

1. The goal for all bus stops is to be the safest, most efficient, and best for all students involved.

- Due to the changing nature of the population in the district a number of bus stops will change every year. That may mean the bus stop could be closer or farther away depending how many students and their locations, of the appropriate grade group, are still in the area of the bus stop. As children move in or out, as they advance to the next grade, or as circumstances change in policy and/or procedure, your child's bus stop may change - do not assume your child will have the same bus stop as the previous year.

- Consideration is given to the age of the student (i.e. middle school students can be expected to walk farther than elementary students, and high school students even farther than middle school students) but it is not absolute. Do not assume your child will have the same bus stop as the previous year, particularly as they advance in grade groups.

2. Routes are planned to keep individual riding distance and time to the most realistic minimum possible.

3. In establishing bus schedules, the objective is to arrange for buses to arrive at school no earlier than five minutes before the scheduled students release time.

- Elementary buses release students at 7:50 a.m.

- Zionsville Middle School buses release students at 8:30 a.m.

- Zionsville West Middle School buses release students at 8:35 a.m.

- High School buses are a "drop and go" but are scheduled to be at the high school by 8:10 a.m.

- When taking students home, elementary buses are released around 2:35p.m. , middle school buses are released at 3:55 p.m. and high school buses are released around 3:50 p.m.