

January 2026 Transportation Newsletter

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Happy New Year! As we return from winter break and begin the second semester, we are excited to continue safely transporting your children each day. January often brings cooler temperatures, changing weather conditions, and adjustments to routines. Your partnership plays an important role in keeping our transportation system running smoothly.

Please review the reminders below for a safe and successful start to the new year.

Cold Weather Transportation Tips

- Have students at the bus stop **no more than 10–15 minutes early**, especially during colder mornings.
- Dress students warmly in coats and layered clothing as temperatures can change throughout the day.
- Encourage students to stay visible in early morning darkness.
- Remind students to remain seated and follow the driver's instructions at all times.
- Keep backpacks and personal items out of the aisle for safety.

New Semester Reminders

- Review your child's bus number and stop location to ensure accuracy.
- Notify the school immediately of any address or contact information changes.
- Ensure PreK and Kindergarten students have an authorized adult present at the bus stop daily.

PreK & Kindergarten Families

- An **authorized adult must be present** at the bus stop to receive your child.
- If no adult is available, your child will be returned to the school for safety.

Safety First

Please remind your child:

- Wait for the driver's signal before crossing in front of the bus.

- Never walk behind the bus.
- Use respectful behavior and keep hands and feet to themselves.


Safety is always our top priority, and reinforcing these expectations at home makes a big difference.

 **Need Assistance?**

Transportation Office: **(504) 349-7987**

Email: **transportation@jpschools.org**

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Thank you for your continued support and cooperation. We look forward to a safe and successful January! 



Dear Transportation Team,

Happy New Year and welcome back! As we begin January and the second semester, this is a great time to reset, refocus, and recommit to safety, professionalism, and teamwork. What we do each day matters and your dedication does not go unnoticed.

January Birthdays

Happy Birthday to all of our January team members! 

BARNES, DEBORAH
BROWN, ARACIA
BRYANT, RICQUEL
CASIANO, DENISE
COJOE, MICHELLE
DILLON, ASIA
DUPLESSIS, ANGELA
GAGLIANO, CAROLYN
GREEN, CYNTHIA
GULLAGE, CAYLA

HARVEY, JOSEPH
HUDAK, STEPHEN
IMSIROVIC, BESIM
JOHNSON, TOSHIBA
KENDRICK, MATHILDA
KENNEDY, LOUVETTRA
KING, IVANA
LAMBOS, TELESA
LEXIMA, DANIEL
MATHERNE, DAWN
PAGE, CAROLYN

PICKENS-LEWIS, CHARMIKER
PITTMAN, DWAN
PIZANI, ALLISON
RAYMOND, WESLEY
RHONE, AMANDA
ROGERS, NADIA
RUSSELL, TINA
TAYLOR, TENNILLE
WEATHERSBY, DONALD
WEBBER, NYTORIA
WU, HUNTER

We appreciate your dedication and wish you a fantastic year ahead

January Focus: Reset & Refocus

The start of a new year is the perfect opportunity to review expectations, procedures, and personal goals. Consistency, patience, and professionalism set the tone for a strong semester.

Tip of the Month

Winter Driving Awareness

January mornings can bring colder temperatures, fog, or slick road conditions.

- Reduce speed when necessary.
- Increase following distance.
- Avoid sudden braking.

- Perform a thorough pre-trip inspection, paying close attention to tires and brakes.

Safe driving starts before the bus moves.

Timekeeping Reminder

- Log into **UKG** daily and correct any **missed punches** immediately.
- Verify your time at least once per day to ensure accuracy and proper compensation.
- Accuracy protects you and the department.

Safety & Compliance

- Continue conducting required emergency evacuation drills.
- Ensure all drill documentation is completed and submitted on time.
- Remember: student safety is always our top priority.

Route Updates

If you notice any discrepancies with your route, stop times, or student assignments, schedule an appointment with your Route Coordinator Technician. **Reminder: All routes are subject to change.**

Let's begin 2026 strong, focused, accountable, and committed to excellence. Thank you for the vital role you play in transporting our students safely each day. 🚌

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