

April 2026 Transportation Newsletter

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we welcome April, we continue to appreciate your partnership in helping us provide safe, reliable transportation for our students. This month brings warmer weather, busy school schedules, and end-of-year activities, making safety and communication more important than ever.

Please review the updates and reminders below to help us ensure a smooth and successful month.

Spring in Full Swing – Weather & Safety Tips

April weather can still be unpredictable. Please:

- Have students at the bus stop no more than 10–15 minutes early.
 - Dress appropriately for changing temperatures.
 - Close umbrellas before boarding the bus.
 - Remind students to be cautious on wet or slippery surfaces.
 - Be mindful of increased pollen/allergy season—pack essentials if needed.
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Arrival & Dismissal Reminders

With increased activities and schedule adjustments:

- Ensure your child knows their correct bus number and stop location.
 - Please be patient—routes may experience slight delays due to traffic or school events.
 - Keep contact information updated with your child's school.
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PreK & Kindergarten Families

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

Please continue reinforcing these expectations at home:

- Remain seated at all times.
 - Keep hands, feet, and objects to themselves.
 - Follow the driver's instructions promptly.
 - Keep aisles clear of backpacks and personal items.
 - Never retrieve dropped items near the bus without the driver's signal.
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New This Month: Transportation Spotlight

Each month, we will highlight important updates and recognitions:

Did You Know?

Buses are scheduled to **arrive at assigned times**—**not earlier** for student safety. Students should arrive at the stop no more than 10–15 minutes prior to pick up.

Need Assistance?

Transportation Office: (504) 349-7987

Email: transportation@jpschools.org

Website: Jefferson Parish Schools

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

Transportation Team Newsletter – April 2026

Dear Transportation Team,

Happy April! As we move closer to the end of the school year, this is the time to stay focused, consistent, and committed to excellence. Warmer weather, testing schedules, and increased activities require us to remain flexible and safety-driven each day.

April Birthdays

Happy Birthday to all of our April Transportation Team!

AJAO, ADEOLU
ANDERSON, KRYSTAL
BELLE, MAUREEN
COLLINS, LARHONDA
GASPER DAUGHTRY, JOANN
GRIFFIN, MELINDA
HABIB, VAHID
HARRINGTON, ALTHEA
INGRAM, ALICE
LEAGEA, SHANTA
MELFORD, SHANNON
RAYMOND, KASEY
SMITH, MICHELLE
SPARKS, ANDREA
WILLIAMS, EMMA
WILLIAMS, THERESA

Thank you for the dedication and professionalism you bring to the team each day.

April Focus: Consistency & Accountability

Consistency in following procedures ensures safe and efficient operations. Let's continue to:

- Follow all safety protocols daily
 - Stay on schedule and communicate delays
 - Support one another as a team
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Tip of the Month: End-of-Year Awareness

As the school year progresses:

- Stay alert for increased traffic around schools
 - Be mindful of distracted drivers and pedestrians
 - Maintain safe speeds in school zones
 - Double-check buses for students after each route (**child check is critical**)
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Timekeeping Reminder

- Log into UKG daily
 - Correct missed punches immediately
 - Review your time to ensure accuracy
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New This Month: Compliance Corner

A quick reminder:

- Ensure all certifications (CPR/First Aid, required trainings) are current and on file
 - Submit documentation promptly to remain in compliance
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Upcoming Reminders

- Be mindful of **Blackout Days** this month
 - Continue attending scheduled trainings and meetings
 - Stay updated on route changes and assignments
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Route & Operations Reminder

If you notice any issues with routes, stops, or student assignments:

- Contact your Route Coordinator Technician
- Do not make unauthorized changes
- Remember: **All routes are subject to change**