

Bus Transportation FAQ:

Who provides the bus service?

First Student is the provider for The Davis Academy's North, South, and Sandy Springs Routes.

What are the routes/times? (Exact time and locations may be adjusted as needed.)

North Route			
Stop	Location	AM	PM
1	Publix, State Bridge Rd & Kimball Bridge Rd 4305 State Bridge Rd. Alpharetta, GA 30022	6:45 AM	4:45 PM
2	Anytime Fitness, Old Alabama & Jones Bridge Rd 9945 Jones Bridge Rd. Johns Creek, GA 30022	7:00 AM	4:30 PM
3	Publix, Holcomb Bridge Rd & Spalding Dr 7736 Spalding Dr. Norcross, GA 30092	7:15 AM	4:15 PM
4	Kroger, Dunwoody Club Dr & Jett Ferry Rd 2090 Dunwoody Club Dr. Sandy Springs, GA 30350	7:30 AM	4:00 PM
5	Middle School 7901 Roberts Dr. Atlanta, GA 30350	7:45 AM	3:30 PM
6	Lower School 8105 Roberts Dr. Atlanta, GA 30350	7:50 AM	3:45 PM

Sandy Springs Route			
Stop	Location	AM	PM
1	Temple Sinai 5645 Dupree Dr NW Sandy Springs, GA 30327	7:00 AM	4:20 PM
2	Roswell Road and Abernathy Road AM: Publix, 6615 Roswell Rd. Sandy Springs, GA 30328 PM: Goodwill, 6650 Roswell Rd, Atlanta, GA 30328	7:20 AM	4:00 PM
3	Middle School 7901 Roberts Dr. Atlanta, GA 30350	7:45 AM	3:30 PM
4	Lower School 8105 Roberts Dr. Atlanta, GA 30350	7:50 AM	3:45 PM

South Route			
Stop	Location	AM	PM
1	Tara Parking Lot, Cheshire Bridge Rd 2345 Cheshire Bridge Rd NE, Atlanta, GA 30324	6:50 AM	4:25 PM
2	Buckhead Triangle, Wieuca Rd & Peachtree Rd 3637 Peachtree Road Atlanta, GA 30319	7:05 AM	4:15 PM
3	Fountain Oaks Parking Lot, 4920 Roswell Rd Roswell Rd, Sandy Springs, GA 30342	7:15 AM	4:05 PM
4	Middle School 7901 Roberts Dr. Atlanta, GA 30350	7:45 AM	3:30 PM
5	Lower School 8105 Roberts Dr. Atlanta, GA 30350	7:50 AM	3:45 PM

What happens on days where there is early dismissal? Late starts?

All route times will be adjusted to match The Davis Academy's calendar for early dismissals/half days.

North Route		
Stop	Location	Early Dismissal at 11:55 AM
1	Middle School	12:00 PM
2	Lower School	12:05 PM
3	Kroger, Dunwoody Club Dr & Jett Ferry Rd	12:25 PM
4	Publix, Holcomb Bridge Rd & Spalding Dr	12:35 PM
5	Anytime Fitness, Old Alabama & Jones Bridge Rd	12:50 PM
6	Publix, State Bridge Rd & Kimball Bridge Rd	1:05 PM

Sandy Springs Route		
Stop	Location	Early Dismissal at 11:55 AM
1	Middle School	12:00 PM
2	Lower School	12:05 PM
3	PM: Goodwill, 6650 Roswell Rd, Atlanta, GA 30328	12:20 PM
4	Temple Sinai	12:45 PM

South Route		
Stop	Location	Early Dismissal at 11:55 AM
1	Middle School	12:00 PM
2	Lower School	12:05 PM
3	Fountain Oaks Parking Lot, 4920 Roswell Rd	12:25 PM
4	Buckhead Triangle, Wieuca Rd & Peachtree Rd	12:35 PM
5	Tara Parking Lot, Cheshire Bridge Rd	12:45 PM

JCC Route		
Stop	Location	Early Dismissal at 11:55 AM
1	MJCCA	No early start to Club J
2	Middle School	
3	Lower School	

What is the process for ensuring students board the bus at school?

The school will ensure that all Lower School students board the bus each afternoon, unless we have received notification of a change consistent with the rules below. Middle School students are independently responsible for and expected to board the bus at Middle School dismissal (promptly at 3:30) each afternoon. Any Middle School student not on the bus by 3:30 will be assumed to not be riding that day.

Can my child or a friend ride the bus if they are not registered?

No, due to safety and security guidelines, only registered students for each route may ride the bus for that route.

What time should I arrive at my child's bus stop?

We ask that you arrive at the stop at least 5 minutes prior to the scheduled departure and/or pick up time.

What happens if I am running behind schedule in the morning and will be late getting to the bus or miss the bus?

Students that arrive late to bus stops and miss the bus must make arrangements to arrive at school another way. Students are not permitted to go to any other stops along the bus route. Parents are NOT permitted to advance to any other bus stop due to a missed bus.

How do I communicate a change of afternoon plans?

All afternoon transportation changes must be made by sending an email to bus@davisacademy.org by **2:00 p.m.** of the day of the change. It is also helpful to copy your child's homeroom teacher (for lower school) on these communications. Such changes include, but are not limited to: not riding the bus or a person other than the student's normal ride picking up at the stop. We will not be able to honor phone requests or requests after this time due to the logistical nature of informing all involved in the process.

What happens if I am running behind schedule in the afternoon and will be late getting to the bus stop?

Each family must designate a backup pick up person for the PM routes (example: grandparent, aunt, uncle, family friend, etc.) In the event that the parent(s) and/or back up person is not at the bus stop when the bus unloads, the child will remain on the bus and return to school at the end of the route. It is the parent's responsibility to pick the child up at The Davis Academy.

Who do I contact if I have questions about the bus driver or the route?

Please contact **Jason Reaves**, First Student Location Manager

Office: 404.691.1753

Cell: 229.573.8846

Email: jason.reaves@firststudentinc.com

Can my student wait alone, outside or inside a store or location, for me at a stop?

Students may not be left unattended at a bus stop at any time. They must be with an adult in the designated area until boarding the bus and upon return in the afternoon.

Does my child need to use a safety seat to ride the bus?

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) guidelines state that children under the age of 5 or under 50 pounds should be secured in a Child Safety Restraint System CSRS (add-on seat, suitable for the child's weight and age). If this applies to your student(s) and you choose for them to use a CSRS, you will need to indicate on your registration form that your student needs a CSRS and complete the payment for the CSRS as part of the registration process.

Will there be behavioral and safety guidelines/policies expected of students and families?

Yes, upon registration, parents will review and affirm acceptance of all the policies and safety guidelines.

Please note that failure to follow established transportation policies and procedures may result in disciplinary action, including suspension or termination of bus ridership privileges.

How can I see when the bus will arrive?

Registered families will receive access to a bus tracking application that provides real-time location updates. Additional information regarding setup and use of the app will be provided before the start of the school year. Additionally, notifications will be sent out in the event of delayed routes or cancellations.

What happens if there are hazardous weather conditions?

The service provider(s) may delay or modify/cancel routes because of hazardous weather conditions. Even if the school is open for students with safe access to the school, the bus provider reserves the right to postpone or delay service out of caution.

Who should I contact for a lost item on the bus?

Please email bus@davisacademy.org or jason.reaves@firststudentinc.com.

Who can answer any other questions I may have related to the bus?

Please email bus@davisacademy.org.