



July/August 2026

Hello parents, and guardians:

Beginning Wednesday, August 12, 2026, all students are eligible for Cypress Fairbanks I.S.D. District Bus Transportation to and from school with their campus of attendance boundary.

These students may receive transportation from one eligible pick-up address to one eligible take home address within their attendance boundary at the following eligible locations:

1. The student's primary residence.
2. A state recognized childcare provider (including state recognized in-home care providers).
3. A grandparent responsible for providing before and after school care for the student.

For safety reasons, district bus service to and/or from different locations on different days is not allowed.

Transportation is not provided for transfer students to/from the student's primary residence. Transfer students may be transported to/from a state recognized childcare provider, parent, or grandparent responsible for providing before and after school care if there is a district-approved stop on a district-approved route serving the transfer campus. Questions about your transfer student's eligibility for transportation may be directed to Student Services/Admissions at StudentTransfers@cfisd.net.

When registering your student or updating your student's information, please be sure to select your student's mode of transportation. It is important to choose 'District Bus' if your student will be a bus rider. Parents of students already registered may update their student's mode of transportation on their student's Home Access Center (HAC) account, however you should contact the school if you are making a change from a non-bus rider to a bus rider.

If your student will ride a district bus, please contact your School Registrar by e-mail or telephone to provide your Registrar with an eligible alternate transportation address if it is different from home morning or afternoon.

Postcards will be mailed prior to school start. The postcard will refer you to: <https://www.cfisd.net/parents-students01/transportation/what-bus-do-i-ride-traversa-ride-360> at which time you may log-in/register and link your students to the 'MyRide K-12', a mobile application that will allow guardians to find information for their specific student including their bus stop along with the ability to track their specific bus and view when their students scan on and off the bus.

If your student has an IEP that requires special transportation, we will also contact you with your student's bus schedule before the first day of school.

Your student's route number will be on the black signs on the sides and rear of the bus. Always refer to this number. Vehicles are subject to change so do not use the vehicle number on the bumper of the vehicle as the identifier for your student's route.

Here are safety precautions you will need to be aware of before your student rides the bus:

- Bus stops for riders meeting safety and efficiency standards are established by Transportation professionals for each grade level. Stops are located at intermittent corners for elementary students and may be at common centralized locations such as parks or community centers for middle and high school students.
- Buses are scheduled to arrive at campuses as early as 20 minutes prior to school bell time. It is recommended students begin riding the bus the first day of school so that student bus assignments, student ridership, and seating assignments may be identified and solidified as quickly as possible.
- Pre-kindergarten and kindergarten students are to be met at the school bus to be released. If no one is available to meet the student, the student will be returned to their campus.
- Students are only allowed to ride their assigned bus to/from their designated bus stop. Any change in that assignment can only be made on an emergency basis if a request is submitted by the parent in writing to be approved by school personnel or designee. Requests for transportation to after-school activities, such as sports and scouts, cannot be approved.
- Late run buses and stops are created for secondary students who stay after school for an approved activity. The bus stops transport the student closer to home but are not the regular bus stop. Late buses will begin no earlier than August 24th and will operate Monday – Thursday at 5:10 p.m.
- Please advise your student he/she must properly wear seatbelts while being transported in any seat belt equipped vehicle that is owned, leased, or utilized by the district.
- All CFISD students will receive an identification card. Swiping their ID card is required each time the student enters and exits their assigned bus. It is the student's responsibility to have their ID card in their possession and report any malfunction to their campus staff as soon as possible. For safety and accountability reasons, students who do not have their RFID card or a temporary card issued by the campus will not be allowed access to afternoon bus transportation. When students swipe their card properly and consistently, by accessing the 'My Ride K-12' app, parents may know instantly where and when your child enters and exits the bus as well as the bus location.
- While visiting www.cfisd.net/Transportation, please review the Transportation Safety and Guidelines which include references to the Student Handbook and Student Code of Conduct. We ask that you reinforce these communicated safety standards with your students to make your student's ride to/from school safe and expeditious.
- Per the Student Code of Conduct,

Boarding school buses, students must:

- Be at the bus stop at least 5-10 minutes prior to the scheduled pick-up time.
- Wait for the bus in designated areas, away from the roadway.
- Students who are waiting at bus stops shall not loiter, trespass, litter, or create nuisance conditions for residents of the community.
- Scan their ID badge each time they enter their assigned bus.

Departing school buses, students must:

- Exit the bus in an orderly manner and through the front service door.
- Scan their ID badge each time they exit their assigned bus.
- Avoid the bus "danger zone" (within ten feet of the bus) and should never cross behind the bus.

- Per the Student Handbook,

Parents, guardians, and persons acting in loco parentis will:

1. Be responsible and accountable for the conduct and safety of their children at all times prior to the arrival and after the departure of the school bus at the assigned school bus stop.
2. Understand and support district guidelines, policies, regulations, and principles of school bus safety, including ensuring their child has a district-issued student identification badge to ride the school bus.
3. assist students in understanding safety rules and encourage them to abide by them.
4. be cognizant of their own responsibilities for the actions of their children.

Understanding this, parents or guardians shall always be responsible and accountable for the conduct and safety of their children prior to the arrival and after the departure of the school bus at the assigned school bus stop. Transportation safety and service may be jeopardized by student non-compliance.

- To promote a safe and pleasant ride for students, video cameras may be utilized. All students are expected to adhere to the Bus Safety Rules when being transported by buses or vehicles owned, operated, or controlled by the district.
- For the first few weeks of school a range of factors may contribute to delays (traffic adjusting to the buses, student seat assignments, potential overcrowding, route direction adjustments, and delays at our campuses to ensure every student is loaded onto the correct bus for their take home route.) Realizing this can be frustrating when your students arrive home later than expected, please understand this is a 'transition time' for students, district staff, and patrons, therefore we appreciate each parent's patience in advance.
- You may contact us at

<https://www.cfid.net/parents-students01/transportation/let39s-talk>

or you may call us at 713-MYCFBUS (713-692-3287)

A team effort is required by transportation and campus personnel as well as parents and students to ensure that each child travels to and from school safely each day.

We are looking forward to partnering with you to make your student's transportation to/from school a safe, secure, and friendly experience.

Best Regards,

Cypress Fairbanks I.S.D. Transportation Staff