

## **BUS SERVICE FAQs**

**Q.** Does my child's babysitter or day-care have to be in the same school attendance area as our house?

**A.** If we are to provide bus transportation to or from school, then yes, the babysitter's home or day-care center does have to be in the same elementary school area. We simply don't have enough buses and drivers to take students being picked up in one school area to different schools in the other four areas.

**Q.** Can I have different pick-up and drop-off arrangements on different days of the week?

**A.** We know there are many situations where it would help if we could do this. But our experience is it gets so complicated keeping track of the children that their safety could be compromised. For that reason, we ask that the pick-up and drop-off arrangements be the same Monday through Friday.

**Q.** Suppose one day my child is planning to take the bus home but then something comes up and I need to pick her up after school. How can I let her know?

**A.** If you call the school, we will tell your child not to take the bus but instead to wait for you to arrive. You can then pick up your child at dismissal time. You will be asked for photo identification, in order to ensure your child's safety.

**Q.** Does the school have a latchkey program?

**A.** Yes, all five elementary schools have both before school and after school latchkey programs. The Intermediate School has an after school program only. You can get more information on times and fees at the school office.

**Q.** How can I find out my child's bus stop and when the bus will come?

**A.** As soon as the bus routes and schedules are set, we will send a card to each student's home with their bus information. The information will also be posted at each school. The routes and schedules should be available in mid-August.

**Q.** Who do I call if I have other questions?

**A.** Please feel free to call our Transportation Department at 829-6603. It is open year round, including all summer.