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RE: **2023-2024 Student Transportation Information**

Dear Parents and Students;

As the 2023-2024 school year is set to begin, the Assistant Principals wanted to provide you with information specific to student transportation.

Regular Bus Transportation:

Bus routes have been completed and are currently on the BVT website (under the Parents/Students tab). Please note that bus stop locations are determined by student residence locations and ridership times. Although we are aware that a bus may go right by your home address, we are unable to create individual pick-up/drop-off stops at individual residences. Please note that during the first trimester the bus routes are subject to change due to fluctuations in student enrollment. It is advisable that you continue to check the website for changes to the bus routes.

Students must be out at their assigned bus stop locations at least **10 minutes prior** to the assigned pickup time.

If you have questions about specific bus routes please contact the Vendetti Bus Company at (508) 234-2465.

Late Bus Transportation:

3:15 pm Late Bus: (Tuesdays/Thursdays)- Late buses are for students who are staying after school for extra help with their academic or vocational teachers or are participating in clubs/meetings directly after school. Students that are not staying after for an identified purpose or activity that is school related are not permitted to ride the 3:15 pm late bus and are required to utilize alternate means of transportation home.

- Please note that late bus student drop-offs are at designated locations within the towns that each bus services. The buses DO NOT follow individual drop-off services. Additionally, transportation from the designated location is the responsibility of the parent/guardian. Please refer to the BVT website for these designated locations.

5:45 pm Athletic Late Bus: (Monday-Friday)- Athletic Late buses are for student athletes participating in an athletic sport that is identified as "in-season". Students that have missed previous bus transportation, or are not playing a sport, are not permitted on Athletic late buses.

- Please note that student drop-offs are at designated locations within the towns that each bus services. The buses DO NOT follow individual drop-off services. Additionally, transportation from the designated location is the responsibility of the parent/guardian. Please refer to the BVT website for these designated locations.

Student Drop-off:

Parents/Family members who drop off their BVT student **must** follow the student drop-off procedure. **All** students being driven by a parent/guardian/family member must be dropped off at the Fitness Center that is located on the South side of the building (next to the Football Field). Student drop off is in single file and family vehicles may not use two lanes for the safety of the students. After a student is dropped off, traffic flow does move to two lanes to allow parents to go left or right onto Pleasant Street. Please note that students will not be permitted in the building prior to 7:15 am and must report to the cafeteria.

Parents are **not** permitted to drop off their student in the bus lanes or in identified student/parking lots. Parents observed driving in the bus lanes or student/staff parking areas during drop-off time will be identified and referred to the Upton Police Department.

Student Pick-Up:

Parents picking up their BVT student must wait in the visitors parking area until all the school buses are released. Parents should not be parked in identified student parking areas or in the bus lane during school dismissal.

Student Drivers:

Senior students that are of driving age are encouraged to submit a senior parking application (Applications are located in the Main Office or on the Assistant Principals' webpage). When a student application is complete, the student will be provided an approval letter from the Assistant Principals. After receiving the letter, the student should report to the Business Office to pay the parking fee (\$40.00) and all outstanding school fees. Once completed, the student will receive their parking tag for the 2023-2024 school year. Approved students will be assigned a specific parking space in an identified student parking lot and must have their parking tags visible on their rearview mirror at all times. Students are not allowed to transfer their parking tag to another student or sibling.

Junior students **may** be considered and approved for **part-time parking** if they are in good standing. Please note that part-time parking is based on the number of senior students out on Co-Op as juniors will share a parking space with a Co-Op senior. Juniors parking on campus without permission, or students who fail to follow the proper procedure will be subject to removal for consideration of junior parking and will receive an appropriate disciplinary response from the Office of the Assistant Principals. We anticipate being able to begin accepting applications for junior part-time parking towards the end of September. When we open up the application process, we will notify students via the morning and afternoon announcements and will notify parents via email.

*It is important to highlight that all student drivers must adhere to the parking regulations and must remain in good standing to be considered and eligible for student parking.

If you have any questions pertaining to student transportation, please reach out to either Assistant Principal.

Sincerely,



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