



Transportation Information for Parent/Guardians of Kindergarten Students



SD79 transportation department would like to extend a warm welcome to all Parents/Guardians. We are pleased to be transporting your child to and from school. We are very proud of the safety record of our school buses and the professionalism of our transportation team. Please help us ensure your child's safety by following our code of conduct which can be found on the Cowichan Valley School District [website](#).

REGISTRATION PROCESS:

- 1) Registration can be completed [online](#) (A student number is required please obtain from the school)
- 2) ALL Kindergarten registrations must be accompanied with an electronic photo, and student id applications without a photo will not be processed. Please email photos to busregistration@sd79.bc.ca
- 3) Once registered, Parents/Guardians will receive an email mid-August indicating registration is complete and information for routing access will be provided.
- 4) Passes will be available for pickup at your child's school for two weeks starting the last week in August, passes will then be returned to the Transportation office for pickup.

OPEN HOUSE

All families and students new to busing are welcome to attend either of our open houses. Buses will be available for students and parents to tour and staff will be on hand to help with new registrations and change form submissions.

Light refreshments will be provided Wednesday, May 18, 2022

3:30 pm – 5:00 pm

School Board Office 2557 Beverly St

Frances Kelsey Secondary 953 Shawingan Mill Bay Rd



LOST & FOUND

We strongly encourage you to label jackets, water bottles and lunch kits. Our bus drivers clean and sweep their buses after each run and may keep items on the bus for a few day in hopes that the owner claims it. However, students often do not realize that they have lost or misplaced an item and not all items are claimed. Drivers will hold items for a few days so please check with them. If you have lost something please come to the Transportation office and have a look through the collection.



Delayed bus information can be found on the SD79 website main page via twitter <https://sd79.bc.ca/>

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WHAT CAN I CARRY ON THE SCHOOL BUS?



The following items **CANNOT** be safely transported on a school bus:

- Guitars and Trombones
- Tenor and Bari Saxophones
- Ice Hockey Sticks
- Lacrosse Sticks
- Baseball Bats
- Drums, Cellos and other large instruments
- Large school projects that will not fit on the student's lap



Items which **CAN** be transported:

- A regular size back pack that sits comfortably on the student's lap
- Small band instruments such as flutes, trumpets- anything up to the size of (and including) an alto saxophone
- Balls contained within the student's backpack
- Skateboards completely enclosed in a zippered bag (no longboards)
- Grass/Field Hockey sticks completely enclosed

BUS PASS REPLACEMENT



A photo bus pass will be printed for each student once ridership has been approved. There is no fee for the initial bus pass.

Replacement fee for lost and altered passes is \$10.00. Payment can be made for replacement passes via e-transfer to busspasspayments@sd79.bc.ca or by credit card at 250-748-1066 ext 276

NOTE: Purchasing a bus pass does not register your student. You must register first, please see above. Please do not send money if your student is not registered for the bus.