## **Transportation Tips!**



- Pick-up and drop off times may vary during the first week of school, but they will become more consistent once routines are established. Your patience is greatly appreciated.
- Please have your student at his/her bus stop before the bus arrives. We are unable to wait for students to come down their driveways or porches. Adding 90 seconds to each bus stop, for this practice, would add an average of 50 minutes to the existing route.
- Please tune in to channel 2, 4 or 7, radio 1380, the district website or Facebook page for all cancellations and updates.
- When buses are running on main roads only, the students must come out to the nearest paved road. Main roads only will be for morning and afternoon bus routes.
- Kindergarteners are accustomed to seat belts in a passenger vehicle; so a school bus is a new experience of freedom to them. Although it is tempting to walk around and visit with friends, please discuss with your child the importance of bus safety rules. The driver must watch the roads and students are expected to follow safety rules independently. The most important rules include:
  - Stay in your seat
  - Sit on your bottom
  - Use a quiet voice at all times
- Students are permitted to bring and use their technology devices on the school bus. However, they
  must respect others with their volume, content of music, games, videos, etc. These items can draw
  a crowd around them. If the technology becomes a distraction or a safety risk, students will be
  asked to put the devise in their backpack.
- We will not be responsible for lost, stolen, traded or damaged items. If an item is irreplaceable or extremely important to your child, it is strongly recommended to have your child leave it in his/her backpack while riding the bus or keep is safely at home.
- If you cannot be at the bus stop when your child arrives home, please inform the driver of how your child will know you are there. Examples: the red van will always be in the driveway; the garage door will be open; I will be standing in the door, etc. If you are unable to be at home as planned, please call a neighbor or a relative to greet your child at the bus stop. Please call our office at 364-7789 if there is a delay or an emergency keeping you from being at the bus stop for your child.
- Failure to be at the bus stop on time will result in the bus returning your child to his/her elementary school. You will be responsible for picking your child up at his/her designated school building upon arrival.
- If your child requires alternate route pick-ups or drop-offs, we can only accommodate two locations and the days *must be consistent*. For example, Joey goes to daycare on Gratiot Ave Monday, Tuesday and Thursday after school, and on Wednesday and Friday he goes home. Schedules that change from week to week require ongoing communication with the school and leave opportunities for oversights.

Please call Marysville School Bus, Inc. office anytime at (810) 364-7789 for questions or concerns. We look forward to working with you and your child.