



ST. BONIFACE SCHOOL

.....making a world of difference

September 5, 2019

Greetings, Parents and Guardians!

Buses, buses, buses!

We have been working mightily to do all we can to get the bus pick up scheduled in a timely manner. Actually, **we really have no control over the bus situation** other than to continually call the company and CPS to do something about it! We do not assign students, we do not create the routes. The only thing we can do is put your student into the system. We do that as soon as you register here. CPS makes the decisions as to which students get transportation, what routes the buses take, and what time and where pick up locations would be. Our new secretary has been the brunt of much abuse – we know your frustration, we share it! But **no one here has any control over bussing!**

This year CPS was trying to shorten the amount of time our longest riders would need to be on the bus. That is 90 minutes for some children! I, too, wish it could be shorter, but the reality is that we draw students from a much larger area than neighborhood CPS schools. To accommodate as many students as possible, the routes need to be longer. To get students here on time for school, the buses need to start earlier. Queen City drivers have been saying all along that they cannot make the route in the time frame allotted.

A **new schedule** will go into effect on Monday, Sept. 9. Pick up times for many students will be quite different, but hopefully that will get them to school on time for breakfast and classes. If you do not receive a mailed notice of the time change, please call our office and we should be able to give you that information.

I'm concerned, too, about the number of **car riders who have been consistently tardy**. PLEASE, we all know traffic is unpredictable, so leave earlier so as not to be caught in the traffic traps! Ed Choice scholarships can and have been rescinded because of accumulated tardies as well as absences, not to mention the additional work it creates to change attendance and lunch counts, and get students to classes that have already begun. Teaching our children that it is important to be on time is a life lesson that will benefit them for years to come.

For **car riders**, parents, when picking students up in the back lot, please **stay parked** until your children are in the car. Some drivers are pulling out to pick up students, and this is only endangering the others who are walking to their cars.

Field trips are starting, so please watch for those permission slips, and do return them ASAP. We will not be able to allow students to participate in field trips without written permission, We'd hate to have your child miss out on the fun!

Are all your forms in? Emergency cards? Medical emergency and health history information? Free lunch forms? Technology permission?

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Coming Events:

Fri., Sept. 6 Opening School Prayer Service in church, 8:30 AM. All welcome!

Tues., Sept. 10 Big Brothers Tuesday, to 4:15
Girls Basketball to 5:00
Girls on the Run to 4:00

Wed. Sept. 11 – Assistance League trip;
Gr. 7 to Sharon Woods
Band starts Beginners to 3:30, Advanced to 4:15

Thurs. Sept. 12 Big Sisters to 4:30
Girls on the Run to 4:00

Fri. Sept. 13 Gr. 6-8 liturgy in church, 8:30



All best wishes,

Sister Miriam