



FAST FACTS FOR RIDING THE SCHOOL BUS

Register for the Bus...

School bussing is not automatically set up when registering your students for school. Please check eligibility and register for the bus on our website www.nwobus.ca. You can also contact our office, no later than mid-August, to ensure arrangements are in place for your child's first day of school.

First Rider Program...

All new riders from JK to Grade 3 are encouraged to participate in our 'First Rider' school bus safety training program. This program teaches bus safety and may provide an opportunity for students to experience a bus ride. Watch our website or contact our office for more information.

Visible Parent Program...

In the interest of safety, all Kindergarten (JK & SK) students must be accompanied to and from the school bus every day. This can be a parent/guardian, or responsible person who is at least 11 years old or in grade 6.

Special Needs...

Please let us know if your student has special needs that may require accommodation for transportation. Providing this information will enable us to care more appropriately for your child.

Life-Threatening Medical Conditions...

Please let us know if your child has any type of potentially life-threatening medical condition such as severe allergy, diabetes, heart condition, etc. This information will remain confidential and is provided to Bus Drivers so they will understand what is happening and what action to take in the event of an emergency.

No Food and Drink on the Bus...

Eating or drinking is not permitted on the school bus due to the risk of choking, presence of possible food allergies and to keep the bus clean for all students.

Cancellations or delays...

Bus delays and cancellations can happen throughout the school year due to weather, road conditions, facility closures, or other unforeseen circumstances. Late buses and cancellations are posted on www.nwobus.ca and on our Facebook page. We encourage all families to sign up for our text message and email alerts to be notified about bus service interruptions in your community.

Emergency Evacuation Drills...

Emergency Bus Evacuation Drills' take place twice a year, once in the fall and again in the spring. These drills are conducted as a surprise, much like a fire drill, at a pre-approved location. Every student has a role to play, from the drivers' helpers to the little ones learning to exit the bus in a calm, organized manner.

Requirement to ride...

In order to maintain a spot on the school bus, students must use the bus as their primary mode of transportation (at least half the time).

Parent Portal...

The NWOSSC Parent Portal gives you instant access to your child's bussing information from JK to Grade 12! Create your account, then in September ask your school for your child's Ontario Education Number (OEN) to add your child to the account.

Find us on Facebook!

Search for us **@nwossc** for updates and information about school bus service. **Like us** to stay connected!



Visit our website...

Visit www.nwobus.ca to register your student for the bus, learn about our policies, contact us, find current information about bus service and more!

CHECK ELIGIBILITY

Determine the schools your child is eligible to attend, and the available bus stops.

CHECK NOW

REGISTER FOR THE BUS

Ready to register your child for one of our busses?

REGISTER

PARENT PORTAL

Login to or register for a parent portal account.

LEARN MORE

REGISTER FOR ALERTS

Receive bus alerts via email or as a text message sent directly to your cell phone.

SIGN UP



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