

# Bus rules, bus routes and safety information

## Letter from the Transportation Department

Dear patrons:

If you have children attending school in the Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District, the following information may assist you. Postcards indicating approximate bus **pick up times** and **stop locations** will be mailed to parents by **Aug. 10, 2007**. The stop information will be based on the student's home address.

**Transportation service for daycare providers and sitters within your child's established attendance zone has also been scheduled. Additionally, please watch for bus stop information to be available through QUICK LINKS, choose BUS STOPS on the district's website, [www.cfisd.net](http://www.cfisd.net), on or after Aug. 3, 2007.**

Please have your child at the bus stop at least 15 minutes prior to the scheduled stop time the first day of school. For the first several days you may experience delays. Certain bus routes may need to be adjusted during the first several weeks of the school year and your patience is most appreciated. Please allow time for schedules to become more consistent, after which time it is suggested to have your child at their stop five minutes prior to their regular stop time.

Buses are provided to transport students to and from school from their home or daycare provider within the established attendance zones.

**Students are not permitted to ride another bus (other than regularly assigned) for any reason other than a family emergency.** Students should provide a note to their school from a parent/guardian stating the reason for the requested exception. A special bus pass will be issued at the school.

The Transportation Department generally establishes regular morning and afternoon bus stops as "corner stops." Students should be picked up and dropped off only at these stops. An increase in the number of stops increases the chance of a hazardous situation.

**Middle school and high school late runs** are an **abbreviated** service provided to students participating in school related after-school activities. This service is not intended to return students to their regularly assigned stop and was created to assist parents by returning students to a close proximity to their home. Students will be returned to their subdivision entrance or a centrally designated area near their home. Stop information for late-run service is available at your child's campus.

The Bus Safety Rules are printed in this publication for you and your child to review. Please discuss your child's role in making the ride to and from school safe and expeditious.

We look forward to transporting your student the first day of school, Monday, Aug. 27, 2007. If we can assist you in any way during the school year, please do not hesitate to contact your closest Transportation facility.

Sincerely,

CFISD Transportation Staff

## BUS RULES

### DRIVERS ARE AUTHORIZED TO ASSIGN SEATS.

A copy of these safety rules is posted in each bus.

1. Listen and follow driver instructions.
2. Sit properly with your hands and feet to yourself.
3. Keep belongings in your lap.
4. Talk quietly and use courteous language.
5. No eating or drinking allowed.

### KEEP YOUR BUS CLEAN—USE THE TRASH CAN.

Please note...

Band instruments on the bus can be a concern. The policy is to transport them if the student takes the instrument to his/her seat with him/her. Instruments cannot be allowed to block the aisle, service stairs or emergency door.

Any type of object carried onto the bus that the driver determines may be dangerous or cause student disruption may be refused. Animals are not permitted. There should be no glass brought onto the bus.

### CROSS THE ROAD SAFELY.

When boarding your bus follow the 10-foot rule:

- **STAY** on your side of the road, far away from the traffic;
- **WAIT** for the bus to stop and for your driver's signal to cross;
- **CHECK** traffic **both** ways, and then check again;
- **CROSS** by walking directly across, checking traffic **both** ways; and
- **WALK** approximately 10 feet in front of the bumper, and board the bus quickly.

When leaving your bus follow the 10-foot rule:

- **WALK** along the side of the road until you can see the driver;
- **STOP** and wait for the driver's signal to cross; and
- **WALK/LOOK** for traffic in **both** directions, crossing the road quickly after all vehicles have stopped.

## ATTENTION PRE-K PARENTS:

No pre-kindergarten student will be dropped off at a bus stop on the *noon take-home route* unless there is a responsible caretaker there to receive the student.

In the event a parent or guardian is *not* waiting at the bus stop for the child, the bus driver will *return* the child to the school and the parent will be called to pick up the child at school.

The *only exception* to this practice would be when an approved *Parent Release* form has been executed.

## Any Questions?

The following designates a breakdown of Campus Assignment to Transportation Centers. Please feel free to contact the respective Transportation Center with any transportation-related concerns, comments, questions or needs you may have for your student. *All Transportation Center hours are 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.*

**Barker Cypress Center**  
17522 Liner Lane  
281-463-5978

**Eldridge Center**  
7600 N. Eldridge Pkwy.  
281-955-4935

**Falcon Center**  
11430 Falcon Road  
281-897-4380

**Telge Center**  
11010 Telge Road  
281-897-4565

Cypress Springs HS  
Langham Creek HS  
Aragon MS  
Hopper MS  
Kahla MS  
Thornton MS  
Andre' ES  
Copeland ES  
Duryea ES  
Holmsley ES  
Jowell ES  
Lieder ES  
Lowery ES  
McFee ES  
Postma ES  
Sheridan ES  
Walker ES  
Wilson ES

Cypress Falls HS  
Cypress Ridge HS  
Labay MS  
Truitt MS  
Watkins MS  
Bang ES  
Fiest ES  
Gleason ES  
Hairgrove ES  
Horne ES  
Kirk ES  
Lee ES  
Metcalf ES  
Owens ES  
Post ES  
Tipps ES

Cypress Creek HS  
Jersey Village HS  
Bleyl MS  
Campbell MS  
Cook MS  
Dean MS  
Bane ES  
Danish ES  
Emmott ES  
Francone ES  
Frazier ES  
Hancock ES  
Holbrook ES  
Matzke ES  
Moore ES  
Reed ES  
Willbern ES  
Yeager ES

Cy-Fair HS  
Cypress Woods HS  
Arnold MS  
Goodson MS  
Hamilton MS  
Spillane MS  
Adam ES  
Ault ES  
Birkes ES  
Black ES  
Farney ES  
Hamilton ES  
Keith ES  
Lamkin ES  
Millsap ES  
Robison ES  
Sampson ES  
Warner ES