



"Every Student Succeeds"

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Transportation Update
June 2, 2016

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The Grande Prairie Public School District is pleased to be partnering with First Student to provide bussing to students attending or planning on attending one of the District's Programs of Choice who live outside of the City of Grande Prairie. This service began Monday May 2, 2016 and will continue into the 2016-2017 year.

In order to be eligible for the service:

- A) The student must be currently enrolled or be planning to enroll for 2016-2017 in the following GPPSD Programs of Choice Schools:
- French Immersion at École Parkside, École Montrose and Charles Spencer High School
 - Grande Prairie Christian School
 - Montessori at Swanavon School (Montessori will be at Parkside School starting in September)
 - The Academy at Alexander Forbes and Charles Spencer High School
 - International Baccalaureate (IB) and Senior Trades programming at Composite High School
- B) Reside in one of the following neighbourhoods: Carriage Lane, Clairmont, some areas along Range Road 51, Taylor Estates, Wedgewood, Westlake and Whispering Ridge.

As set out in the Government of Alberta guidelines, transportation funding is not provided to students living outside District attendance boundaries for the Grande Prairie Public School District.

Therefore, the cost of the bussing will be \$60 per month, per student and will include service from the bus stop locations and times, as listed in the attached document. The cost for the 2016-2017 school year will be dependent on the number of students and a negotiated contract with our provider First Student and could change but will not increase for that year.

To enroll your child for bussing for the remainder of the year or for the next year, please apply online or complete and submit the accompanying bus application form by visiting www.gppsd.ab.ca/transportation. Our transportation staff will follow up with applicants immediately to arrange payment and preferred bus stop locations.

We are excited about this partnership and the opportunity to provide students in your area with the opportunity to enroll in our Programs of Choice. Throughout the next two months, the Grande Prairie Public School District will be seeking feedback from you regarding this bussing service to ensure the program supports the needs of your family and accommodates your child accordingly.

If you have any other questions, please contact Transportation Coordinator, Connie Hartel at Connie.Hartel@gppsd.ab.ca or call 780-539-7419.

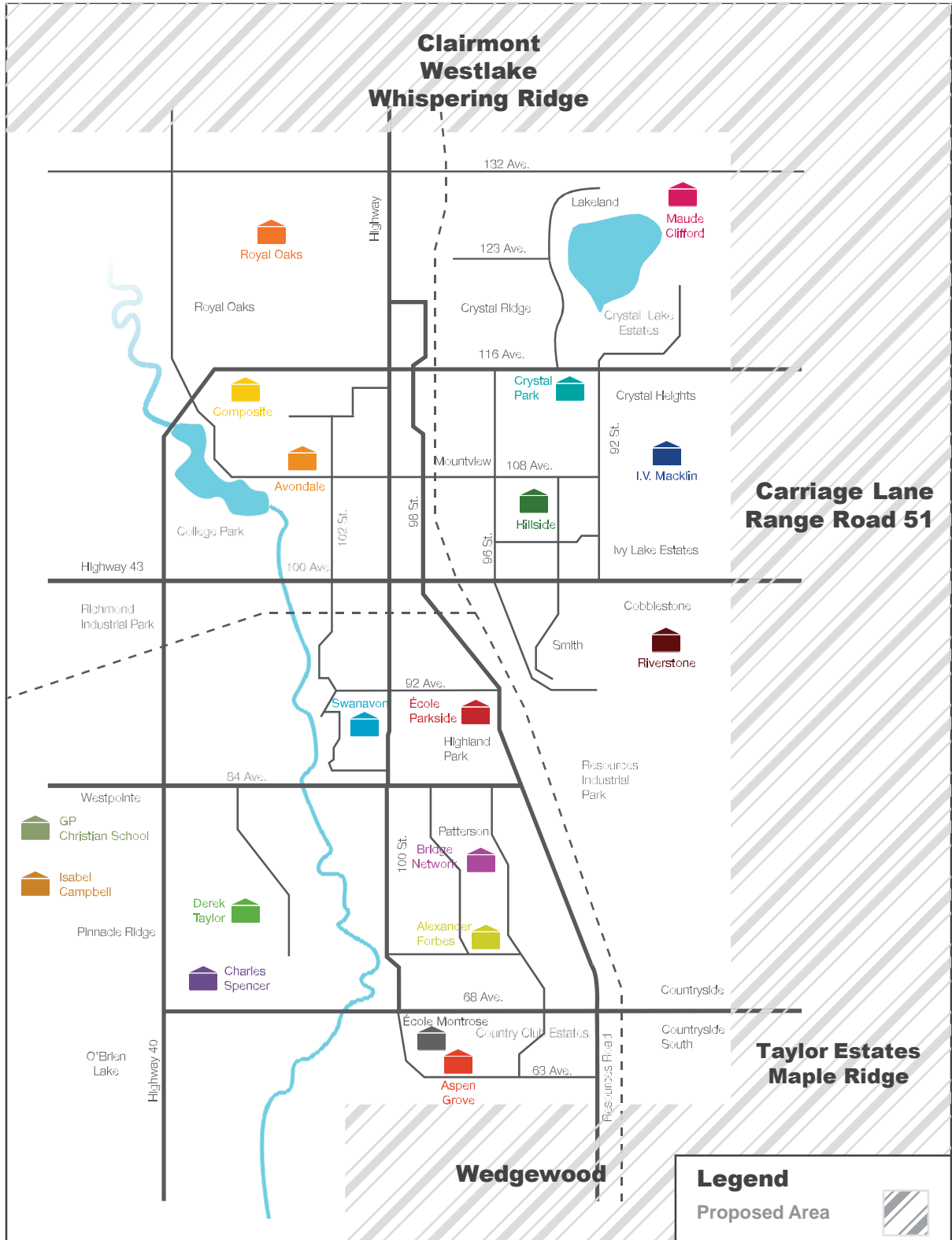
Sincerely,

Geoff Barron
Director of Operations
Grande Prairie Public School District



Proposed Neighbourhood Busing

For Students in Schools of Choice



AM TRANSFER AT MONTROSE 8:10 AM**IN THE MORNING TO GET TO:**

ALEXANDER FORBES, PARKSIDE, SWANAVON
 GP CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
 CHARLES SPENCER

TRANSFER TO:

BUS 304
 BUS 305
 BUS 306

PM TRANSFER AT CHARLES SPENCER 3:40 PM**IN THE AFTERNOON:**

MONTROSE AND PARKSIDE GET ON BUS 304
 SWANAVON GET ON BUS 305
 ALEXANDER FORBES, GP CHRISTIAN SCHOOL GET ON BUS 306

TRANSFER TO:

CORRESPONDING BUS FOR HOME BELOW
 CORRESPONDING BUS FOR HOME BELOW
 CORRESPONDING BUS FOR HOME BELOW

CLAIRMONT

BUS 304

	<u>STOP</u>	<u>P/U TIME</u>	<u>D/O TIME</u>
#1	109 AVE & 96 ST	7:05 AM	4:26 PM
#2	96 ST & 108A AVE	7:08 AM	4:29 PM
#3	97 ST & 103 AVE	7:11 AM	4:33 PM
#4	104 AVE & 99 ST	7:15 AM	4:40 PM

WESTLAKE

BUS 304

	<u>STOP</u>	<u>P/U TIME</u>	<u>D/O TIME</u>
#5	156 AVE & 103 ST	7:25 AM	4:00 PM
#6	104 ST & 160 AVE	7:27 AM	4:02 PM
#7	160 AVE & 107 ST	7:29 AM	4:05 PM
#8	107A ST & 156 AVE	7:32 AM	4:08 PM

WHISPERING RIDGE

BUS 304

	<u>STOP</u>	<u>P/U TIME</u>	<u>D/O TIME</u>
#9	103 ST & 149 AVE	7:35 AM	4:11 PM
#10	103 ST & 152 AVE	7:37 AM	4:13 PM
#11	154 AVE & 104A ST	7:40 AM	4:16 PM
#12	104A ST & 155 AVE	7:43 AM	4:19 PM

CARRIAGE LANE

BUS 305

	<u>STOP</u>	<u>P/U TIME</u>	<u>D/O TIME</u>
#1	LEXINGTON ST & ABBEY LANE	7:00 AM	4:33 PM
#2	BLEGRAVE RD & BELGRAVE RD	7:03 AM	4:30 PM
#3	PIMLICO RD & COACH RD	7:05 AM	4:27 PM
#4	CARRIAGE LANE DR & WESTMINSTER WAY - N	7:08 AM	4:24 PM
#5	CARRIAGE LANE DR & ABBEY LANE	7:10 AM	4:22 PM
#6	LEXINGTON ST & LEXINGTON ST	7:12 AM	4:20 PM
#7	COVINGTON WAY & SAXONY RD	7:14 AM	4:19 PM
#8	CARRIAGE LANE DR & WESTMINSTER WAY - S	7:16 AM	4:17 PM

SUNNYBROOK

BUS 305

<u>STOP</u>	<u>P/U TIME</u>	<u>D/O TIME</u>
SUNNYBROOK & RR 51	**	**

EASTLAND ACRES

BUS 305

<u>STOP</u>	<u>P/U TIME</u>	<u>D/O TIME</u>
EASTLAND ACRES & RR 51	**	**

ASPEN RIDGE

BUS 305

	<u>STOP</u>	<u>P/U TIME</u>	<u>D/O TIME</u>
#9	ASPEN RIDGE & RR 51	7:20 AM	4:12 PM

MEADOWBROOK ESTATES

BUS 305		<u>STOP</u>	<u>P/U TIME</u>	<u>D/O TIME</u>
	#10	LOT 70	7:22 AM	4:10 PM
	#11	LOT 49	7:24 AM	4:08 PM
	#12	LOT 25	7:26 AM	4:06 PM
	#13	LOT 5	7:28 AM	4:04 PM

AUTUMNWOOD ESTATES

BUS 305		<u>STOP</u>	<u>P/U TIME</u>	<u>D/O TIME</u>
	#14	AUTUMNWOOD & RR 51	7:30 AM	4:02 PM

SUNRIDGE ESTATES

BUS 305		<u>STOP</u>	<u>P/U TIME</u>	<u>D/O TIME</u>
		SUNRIDGE ESTATES & RR 51	**	**

AURTHURLANE

BUS 305		<u>STOP</u>	<u>P/U TIME</u>	<u>D/O TIME</u>
		AURTHUR RIDGE & RR 51	7:36 AM	3:56 PM

WINDWOOD LANE

BUS 305		<u>STOP</u>	<u>P/U TIME</u>	<u>D/O TIME</u>
		WINDWOOD LANE & TWP RD 712	**	**

GREEN ACRES

BUS 305		<u>STOP</u>	<u>P/U TIME</u>	<u>D/O TIME</u>
		TWP RD 712 & RR 54	7:39 AM	3:53 PM

SANDYRIDGE ESTATES

BUS 305		<u>STOP</u>	<u>P/U TIME</u>	<u>D/O TIME</u>
		TWP RD 712 & SANDYRIDGE ESTATES	7:42 AM	3:50 PM

TAYLORESTATES

BUS 306		<u>STOP</u>	<u>P/U TIME</u>	<u>D/O TIME</u>
	#1	ASPEN DR & TAMARACK TRAIL	7:00 AM	4:37 PM
	#2	TAYLOR WAY & ASPEN CLOSE	7:03 AM	4:35 PM
	#3	TAYLOR WAY & TAMARACK TRAIL	7:06 AM	4:32 PM
	#4	TAYLOR WAY & WILLOWGROVE WAY	7:08 AM	4:30 PM
	#5	WILLOWGROVE WAY & WILLOWWOOD COURT	7:12 AM	4:28 PM

MAPLE RIDGE

BUS 306		<u>STOP</u>	<u>P/U TIME</u>	<u>D/O TIME</u>
	#6	79 ST & 67 AVE	7:17 AM	4:23 PM
	#7	79 ST & ALDER ST	7:20 AM	4:20 PM
	#8	77 ST & 64 AVE	7:24 AM	4:16 PM
	#9	65 AVE & 78 ST	7:27 AM	4:13 PM

WEDGEWOOD

BUS 306		<u>STOP</u>	<u>P/U TIME</u>	<u>D/O TIME</u>
	#10	9440 WEDGEWOOD DR N AREA	7:32 AM	4:08 PM
	#11	9628 WEDGEWOOD DR S AREA	7:34 AM	4:06 PM
	#12	9422 WEDGEWOOD DR S EASEMENT	7:36 AM	4:04 PM
	#13	93 ST & 49 AVE	7:38 AM	4:02 PM

DUNES

BUS 306		<u>STOP</u>	<u>P/U TIME</u>	<u>D/O TIME</u>
	# 14	TBD	7:45 AM	3:55 PM

** Depends on interest for this area



Bus Application for 2015/2016 School Year

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 11041 – 95 Avenue
 Grande Prairie, Alberta T8v6L3
 Phone: 780-539-7419 Fax: 780-539-3665

Apply Online and sign up for email alerts at
<http://www2.gppsd.ab.ca/transportation/Pages/default.aspx>

Student Number (5 Digits):

Signature when picked up: _____

LEGAL LAST NAME	LEGAL GIVEN NAMES	BIRTHDATE	GENDER		SCHOOL	GRADE IN 2015/2016
			M	F		
STREET ADDRESS REGISTERED AT SCHOOL		CITY			PROVINCE	POSTAL CODE
HOME PHONE	OTHER PHONE	PRIORITY CONTACT NUMBER		EMAIL		
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SCHOOL PROGRAM – PLEASE CHOOSE ONE (IMPORTANT FOR BUSING ELIGIBILITY)						
___NO PROGRAM		___MONTESSORI		___ACADEMY		___INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE
___CHRISTIAN SCHOOL		___FRENCH IMMERSION		___ECS SPECIAL CODE		___SPECIAL NEEDS CODE ___Wheelchair
___FULLTIME TRADES		___WELDING				
KINDERGARTEN	___AM ___PM ___FULL		___M/W	___T/TH	___M/W/T/TH/F	
PRESCHOOL	___AM ___PM ___FULL		___M/W	___T/TH	___M/W/T/TH/F	
PICKUP ADDRESS If home use "same as home"						
		SUBDIVISION				
DROP OFF ADDRESS If home use "same as home"						
		SUBDIVISION				
MEDICAL CONDITIONS THE DRIVER SHOULD BE AWARE OF						

I have read the safety rules attached and will review them with my child.

 Signature of Parent/Guardian/Student if in High School Please Print Name

NOTE: All information will be shared with the company who provides School Bus Service to the Grande Prairie Public School District. The company is First Student Canada.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY			
AMOUNT OWED	BUS PASS NUMBER	CASH/DEBIT/CHEQUE #	STUDENT NUMBER
			ELIGIBLE
			Y N
DISTANCE FROM DESIGNATED SCHOOL		DISTANCE FROM ATTENDING SCHOOL	
NOTES			

BUS PASS ELIGIBILITY	BUS SAFETY RULES				
<p>Bussing services for the Grande Prairie Public School District are provided by First Student Canada.</p> <p>To be eligible for a bus pass, a student must live within the Grande Prairie city limits and reside 2.4 km or more from their designated boundary school.</p> <p>Exceptions are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Students attending Aspen Grove and Montrose having to cross Resources Road; students attending Derek Taylor having to cross 108 St; and students attending Avondale having to cross 116 Ave. 2. Special needs coded students attending a designated school program. 3. French Immersion students attending Ecole Parkside and Ecole Montrose. 4. Bridge Network students living 2.4 km or more away from Lions Learning Centre have to be taking a minimum 50% course load. <p>Bus passes for eligible students in Grades 1-12 to be picked up at the School Office.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The driver is in full charge of the bus at all times and his/her direction must be obeyed at all times. As the driver is responsible for all the students on the bus it is essential that the driver receive respect, consideration, and co-operation from students. 2. Be at the bus stop five minutes before the scheduled stop time. 3. Line up in the safety zone and adhere to the 1 meter safety zone around the bus at all times. 4. Wait for the bus to come to a complete stop before approaching. 5. Use the handrail while boarding the bus. 6. Students must present their bus pass in order to board the bus. 7. The driver may assign specific seats at any time. 8. Students must not put any part of his/her body outside of the window. 9. Students must stay seated while the bus is in motion. 10. Students must sit facing the front of the bus. 11. Students must talk quietly as not to distract the driver. 12. The following are strictly prohibited: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bullying • Scuffling • Fighting • Eating • Throwing items on the bus or out of the bus windows • Smoking • The use of obscene language • Alcohol or drugs • Firearms, knives, or weapons of any kind • Animals • Skateboards • Any type of sleds • Large items (music instruments etc) • littering 13. Skates are allowed but must be in a bag or case 				
BUSING FOR NON-ELIGIBLE STUDENTS					
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Busing may be provided for a fee to students enrolled in one of the four choice programs (Academy, Christian, Montessori, and IB). The Government of Alberta does not provide transportation funding to school districts to provide School of Choice busing. Busing will be provided if there is room on the bus. 2. Busing may be provided for a fee to students who live closer than 2.4km from their designated school if there is a bus stop in the area and there is room on the bus. 3. Busing may be provided for a fee to students attending a school outside of their designated boundary school if there is room on the bus. 					
BUSING FEES AND CONDITIONS **make cheques payable to Grande Prairie Public School District #2357**					
<table border="0"> <tr> <td>Kindergarten ½ day</td> <td>\$58.00 per month (\$580.00 annual)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Full day Kindergarten to Grade12</td> <td>\$32.00 per month (\$320.00 annual)</td> </tr> </table> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fees are to be paid for the entire school year, in full, at the school office prior to the student receiving their bus pass. 2. Preauthorized debit is also available. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. The first month's payment is paid up front at the school and a preauthorized debit form is filled out at the school. b. Payments will be withdrawn from your account on the first of every month. c. <u>Parents are responsible for payment of the bus pass until the bus pass is handed back in to the Transportation Office.</u> 3. One month's notice is required to cancel your bus pass pre-authorized debit. <p>**If your child is not riding the bus, please get their bus pass in as soon as possible so that more charges are not incurred**</p>	Kindergarten ½ day	\$58.00 per month (\$580.00 annual)	Full day Kindergarten to Grade12	\$32.00 per month (\$320.00 annual)	
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PRESCHOOL	_____AM _____PM _____FULL DAY		_____M/W _____T/TH _____M/W/T/TH/F			
			OFFICE USE ONLY			
PICKUP ADDRESS If different from home address			AM Stop			
DROP OFF ADDRESS If different from home address			PM Stop			
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