

Bus Information for School Year 2021-2022

One-way bus service: \$230.00 per child

Both morning and afternoon bus service: \$460.00 per child

Conduct students riding the bus is as follows:

1. Bus riding is a privilege. Children should be waiting at the bus stop (outside) ready to get on the bus five minutes ahead of the pickup time. If children aren't outside ready to get on the bus by the pickup time the bus driver will not be required to wait.
2. Children must always sit in their assigned seats and remain seated. Children must take their back packs off and either put them on the floor in front of them or on their laps.
3. Feet must stay on the floor facing forward not in the bus aisle. Keep hands, arms, heads or any other objects out of the aisle and in the bus at all times. Each child needs to keep their hands to themselves.
4. Children must be respectful of the bus driver as well as those they ride with.
5. The noise level must be kept at a minimum to avoid distraction for the driver.
6. Cell phone use may only be used for parent-child communication with driver consent.
7. Children must always watch for the bus driver's signal before crossing the street in front of the bus at their stop.
8. There are to be no extra children (guests) riding with your child unless approved by the Transportation Coordinator via a note, email or voicemail by a parent prior to the day of riding.
9. Eating and drinking (except water) is prohibited on the bus.
10. School rules apply to riding on the bus.
11. Using electronic devices on the bus is a privilege, not a right. If this privilege is being misused, the device may be confiscated, and students may risk their ability to ride the bus. No sharing of electronics between students.
12. The principal may act on any misconduct which occurs on the school bus, the same as if the violation occurred on school grounds. Because the driver's main responsibility is the safe transportation of students, repeated misbehavior may result in a student being removed from the bus.
13. Home drop off students: Parents, please have a front door or garage door open to let the bus drivers know you are home.
14. Due to CDC mandates face masks must be worn on the bus at all times.

Communication with the Drivers:

To call the bus driver to let them know if your child will not be riding or if there is a change please call the school at 219-838-0356. Then press your driver's extension number and leave a message.

Vernon Bonner - Bus 13-4; Extension #172

John Cruse – Bus 19-1; Extension # 171

Eileen Goodson – Bus 17-6; Extension 175

Michele Herrell – Bus 14-3; Extension #174

Ann Lynch – Bus 10-2; Extension #176

Amy Wilcox – Bus 12-5; Extension #170

If there is a change to your child's bus stop, you must notify your bus driver by voice mail or a note before 6:20 a.m. or 3 p.m. Not all drivers use texts to communicate.

If there are questions regarding your child's bus route while your child is on the bus, please call the following phone number at **219-313-7415** (No texting please). We always like to keep your child's ride safe and you informed.

Please call Ann Lynch, Transportation Coordinator, if you have any questions or concerns at 219-838-0356, ext. 199 or alynch@highlandchristian.org .

We pray for a blessed year!

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