



Kindergarten Transportation Information

Community Consolidated School District 59 allows kindergarten students free transportation if they reside one mile or more from school or reside in an area designated by the Board of Education as a “hazardous area” for walking (i.e. crossing a busy roadway). If you have any questions about eligibility for free transportation, please contact Transportation Services at (847) 593-4379.

Parents of kindergarten students who are **requesting different bus stops than have been assigned** must complete the [Transportation Request Form \(T-42\)](#). Completion of this form will assist in accurately assigning your child to the appropriate route. Pick-up and drop-off locations must be within the assigned school boundary and will be limited to the home or one designated location, i.e., home and one babysitter. Alternating days of the week/multiple locations for pick-up and drop-off will not be allowed. There will be no exceptions. This policy is for your child’s safety. **This form must be completed and forwarded to Transportation Services by July 1.**

FULL DAY KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS

Students who attend full day programs will be assigned a regular bus stop with other students from their school. After school, students will get off the bus at a regular bus stop with other students from their school. It is expected that someone will be there or at home to meet the student; however, the bus driver **does not wait** until they see an adult.

HALF DAY KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS

Kindergarten students will be assigned a regular bus stop with other students from their school except during noon-hour routes. For kindergarten routes that operate during this noon-hour period, a bus stop will be assigned at the student’s home or a designated central location within an apartment/mobile home complex. It is expected that an adult will meet the bus. The driver will not leave the student unless an adult is seen or they see the student enter the home. Students without an escort will be returned to the child’s assigned school.

Transportation Information for Grades 1-8

GENERAL INFORMATION

CCSD59 provides free bus transportation for students (grades 1-8) residing at a distance of 1.5 or more miles from the school to which they are assigned for attendance. Certain areas less than 1.5 miles from school are also classified as eligible for free transportation. Please contact the Transportation Department for details of such qualifying areas.



BUS CHANGES

Your student will be assigned a bus stop based on your home address. Any other pick-up or drop-off location, such as a daycare, babysitter, etc., must be requested by completing the [Transportation Request Form \(T-42\)](#) and submitting it to the Transportation Department by July 1. Changes requested once school is in session must also be submitted in writing (via the T-42 form) and given to the school office. Please also note the following:

- All requested locations **must be within the attending school boundary at an existing stop.**
- **No changes will be accepted during the first two weeks of school.**
- Parents will be expected to provide transportation until the changes are effective.
- Changes after the first two weeks will require **a minimum of three attendance days** to process.

PAY TRANSPORTATION

Students not eligible for free bus service, excluding tuition-based preschool students, may choose to pay for bus service on an annual basis from an existing stop provided space on the bus is available. The annual fee is set by the Board of Education and cannot be prorated, waived, or refunded.

ROUTE ASSIGNMENTS

Prior to the start of the new school year, CCSD59 will provide more detailed information regarding bus routes and stops. This information will also be available at your home school. If you have any questions, please contact Transportation Services at (847) 593-4379. Thank you.