

## ***East Providence School Dept. - Transportation Office - 401-270-8232***

East Providence school bus transportation will always center on providing safe, responsible and effective transportation for our students. The 2024-25 transportation schedule can be found by school at the link below.

We currently service eligible students to eleven East Providence Public Schools, twenty eight private and parochial schools, and twenty-six outside special education placement schools in Rhode Island and Massachusetts.

### **Transportation Announcements**

- As many of you know, Martin Middle School is under construction. Therefore, we will continue to attempt to lessen traffic and improve time delays caused by the project at both drop off and dismissal, by reducing the mileage restriction from 1.5 miles to 1.0. This results in any students living more than a mile (not 1.5 miles) away from the school are eligible to take the bus. **You will not need to complete an appeal.** The intention and hope is that parents currently driving their children to school will depend on the bus for transportation. We are in the process of routing all students affected by this change. This information as well as all bus routes will be published on the East Providence School Department website, your child's Skyward account, and in the East Providence Post. Please note: this mileage change only affects Martin Middle School. If unsure as to your distance or have any questions or concerns, please contact the transportation department at 401-270-8232.

### **Eligible Riding Distances**

ELC @ Oldham - Special Needs - Door to Door Grades K - 5 must live over 1.0 mile Grades 6 - 8 - MMS must live over 1.0 mile Grades 6 - 8 - RMS must live over 1.5 mile Grades 9 - 12 - EPHS must live over 2.0 mile

### **Appeals**

We will accept appeals for the SY 2024-25. Below are the requirements:

- Transportation will be taken every day from the same bus stop; no changes will be granted.
- An Appeal will grant transportation only if there are sufficient seats on the bus.
- Bus stops are developed based on the number of students and mileage restriction set forth by the EP School Committee.
- Appeal forms, along with proof of residency, must be filed with the EP School Transportation Dept. - ANNUALLY.
- All students are expected to follow the Student Code of conduct, at all times, or their appeal will be revoked.

- Parents/Guardians are responsible for children's safety to and from the bus. NOTE: Students in grades K-2 must be picked up and dropped off by an authorized adult.

## 24-25 TRANSPORTATION APPEAL

### **Private/Parochial/Charter School Transportation**

Transportation requests must be completed and submitted no later than August 16, '24. Residency Verification is required annually, and must accompany the Request form. After this date, we will accept requests; however we cannot guarantee service will be in place by the beginning of the school year.