

Bethalto Community Unit School District #8: BUS TRANSPORTATION FORM

Parents/Guardians, please fill out this form regarding bus transportation.

This form **MUST** be completed for each student, regardless of whether or not your student will use bus transportation.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Date Received & Sent to Transportation: _____ New Transportation Start Date: _____

____AM Preschool ____PM Preschool ____AM ECSE ____PM ECSE ____Special Services Bus (send copy to SpeEdu)

TO BE COMPLETED BY PARENT/GUARDIAN:

Student's Full Name (printed): _____ Grade: _____

School: ____Bethalto East ____Parkside ____Meadowbrook ____TMS ____CM

Home Address: _____

(home address must match residency paperwork)

IS ADDRESS DIFFERENT THAN LAST SCHOOL YEAR? ____YES ____NO

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

Parent/Guardian Phone Number(s): _____

Question 1 (OPT OUT): Will your child use bus transportation, **at all**, this school year? ____Yes ____No
You have completed the form if your answer is NO to Question 1. Please still turn the form in to your child's school if you opt out.

Students may be bussed to/from **ONE** stop address other than the home stop. The stop must be for **EVERYDAY** of the week.

Parents, choose **ONE** of the four options below. You may only choose **ONE**.

1. Pick up at home, drop off at home _____
2. Pick up at home, drop off at alternate location _____
3. Pick up at alternate location, drop off at alternate location _____
4. Pick up at alternate location, drop off at home _____

Question 2 (AM): Will your child use transportation in the morning (AM)? ____Yes ____No

Morning Pick Up Information/Address (if needed):

____Home Address (*home address must match residency paperwork*)

____Alternate Location

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number(s): _____

Question 3 (PM): Will your child use transportation in the afternoon (PM)? ____Yes ____No

Afternoon Drop Off Information/Address (if needed):

____Home Address (*home address must match residency paperwork*)

____Alternate Location

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number(s): _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE: _____

Bethalto Community Unit School District #8

Dr. Jill Griffin
Superintendent




Bus Transportation Eligibility Requirements

The following information communicates Bethalto's transportation policies and practices. Ensuring the safe delivery of all students to and from school is a top priority. Coordinating transportation for over 1000 students a day, however, requires major effort from parents, community members, and school personnel. Parent cooperation is required so the District can adhere to its policies and provide the safest and most secure transportation services for its students.

The District will provide school bus transportation for only those students who reside within the geographic boundaries of the District and who meet the eligibility requirements noted below. If your child is not eligible for transportation, please make alternative plans for before-school drop-off and after-school pick-up.

Transportation Eligibility Requirements

- Student is registered by the parent and completes the Transportation Form annually. Parents may also opt out of transportation services by completing the Opt Out Section of the Form. Changes throughout the year must be communicated with each student's school and they will notify transportation.
- Student resides at a distance of one and one-half (1.5) miles or more from his or her assigned school of attendance. Distance is determined by accessing directions in [Google Maps](#) – enter the home address and the school address and click on the walking directions .
- Student resides within one and one-half (1.5) miles from his or her assigned school where walking to school or to a pick-up point or bus stop would constitute a serious hazard due and adequate public transportation is not available. Hazardous crossings are determined by the Superintendent, the Bethalto Board of Education, and the Illinois Department of Transportation [105 ILCS 5/29-3].
- All elementary students have the option of using our bus transportation, even if they reside within 1.5 miles from their assigned school, if a bus stop is already established. The Board of Education may rescind this accommodation at any time.
- Student is eligible for special education services and his/her individualized educational program (IEP) specifically stipulates that vehicle adaptation or accommodation is necessary.
- Student rides the bus from one consistent pick-up location and one consistent drop-off location on a daily basis. Both locations must be located in the Bethalto School District. Multiple pick-up and/or drop-off locations will not be accommodated. During the school year, requests received will take up to three school days to process. **NO** changes in transportation will be honored without the proper forms from the student's school.
- Student may be transported to/from one stop address other than their home bus stop; however, the stop must be for **everyday** of the week. Parents must choose **ONE** of the possible choices for bus transportation below:
 - Pick up at home; drop off at home
 - Pick up at home, drop off at alternate location
 - Pick up at alternate location, drop off at same alternate location
 - Pick up at alternate location, drop off at home
- Parents must contact the school office to change the mode of transportation due to an **emergency**. However, the parent must contact the school verbally or in writing by 1:00pm. Emergencies do not include: sleepovers, hanging out with friends, visiting relatives, scheduled appointments, etc. Last minute requests will not be accommodated and misuse, as determined by Administration, is not acceptable.

Questions regarding bus transportation may be directed to your student's school.

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