

Calling All Parents

Do you want your student to ride the school bus next year?

Do you want to save time and money and help the environment at the same too?

With the start of the 2009-10 school year the Portage Public Schools will be requiring all parents requesting transportation to register their students for bus service.

Portage students will ***not*** be scheduled for bus service unless the parents/guardians notify the transportation department in writing. You may sign up online after May 1 at www.portageps.org; or you may download the form at http://www.portageps.org/departments/transportation/requestform/transportation_requestform.pdf and submit it to the transportation office.

If you do not have internet access, you may obtain a Transportation Request form at any Portage school or transportation office.

Obtaining an accurate list of students who will actually be riding our buses is very important for us to design efficient, low cost bus routes and to assure the safety of the students.

As a reminder, all students may be expected to walk up to 1-½ miles to school. Elementary students may walk up to ½ mile to a bus stop and middle & high students may walk up to 1 mile to a bus stop wherever appropriate walkways and traffic signs are available. Eligible students signing up for transportation will be assigned to bus stops based on their home address.

If you would like your students to ride the bus next year, please sign up early. Bus assignments will be based on the student's home address as listed on the schools records. Students signing up by June 30 will receive a postcard in late August with specific transportation information.

Students not replying by June 30 may compromise our ability to provide timely bus service in the fall.

For more information, please ask your bus driver or call Transportation at 323-5151. Thank you in advance for your timely responses.

Don't delay, sign up today. You don't want to miss the bus!