



YOUR HELENA PUBLIC SCHOOLS...A GREAT PLACE TO LEARN

# Helena Public Schools Transportation Department



## Extreme Weather

In times of extreme weather, please remember the following:

- Make sure your child is dressed for the weather.
- Do not leave your child unattended at the bus stop.
- Know buses will be at the first stop on time, Mother Nature has control after that.

- Watch the website and the HSD Transportation page on Facebook for updates.
- Consider a flashlight or flashing keychain/band if your child is wearing all dark clothing on dark mornings.



## Emergency Travel

In the event of emergency travel only advisories, please watch the Facebook page and the website for up-to-date information.

- <https://helenaschools.org/departments/transportation/>
- <https://www.facebook.com/HSD1Transportation/>

## Lost and Found

If your child has left something on the bus:

- Have them ask the driver of the bus the item is still on the bus.
- Call First Student at 227-7400 to see if it is at the Bus Depot.



## Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> graders

Remember that our kindergarten and 1st graders need to be met at the bus stop by a parent or guardian. If you need someone else to meet the bus or would prefer to have your child walk home without an escort, please make sure you have an escort or opt-out form on file. If your escort needs have changed, please re-file an escort form. New escort forms will override the former forms, so please make sure they include all names.

Form is located at:

<https://helenaschools.org/departments/transportation/2017-18-school-bus-registration-2/>

New bus id cards have been reprinted and are at your child's school.



## Winter

With the sun rising later, please remember to watch for students waiting at their bus stops in the mornings.

Please watch for buses and kiddos crossing the road and give them some extra space, especially when the roads are icy.



## Who do I call?

Please call **First Student** at (406)-227-7400 if:

- You are wondering where your child's bus is (please give the bus 10 minutes before calling).
- Your child left something on the bus.

Please call the **Transportation Department** at (406)-324-2100 if:

- You need to register your child.
- You need to find out what your child's bus route or stop is.
- You need to set up a second address for a split family.
- You have a safety concern with a stop.
- You want to inquire about a courtesy ride.