

## 2020-2021 Preschool Transportation

Preschool Session Times are 7:55am - 11:05am & 12:15pm-3:25pm

The goal for preschool dismissal has always been that the students who ride a bus will walk out of their classrooms at 10:50am & 3:15pm to get on their bus, and the walkers (those being picked up at SAC) leave at 11:05am & 3:25pm once the buses have left the school.

- In 2019-2020, the AM OAC shuttle was often arriving between 8:10am-8:20am, and the CAC bus was not much earlier. The buses left SAC before 11:05am because of the heavy noon route and the OAC & CAC shuttles left before 3:15pm to drop off at daycares and students on IEPs before they arrived at OAC & CAC. These lost minutes add up over time and the preschool runs the risk of being short of the preschool grants' required hours.

During the first year of the district-wide preschool at SAC, buses only ran between OAC & CAC and parents picked up their student(s) at the attendance centers. Students on an IEP were transported door-to-door.

The second year, buses ran to licensed daycares, OAC, & CAC. IEP kids were transported door-to-door.

Since the third year, shuttles have run between OAC & CAC in the AM & PM, stops are made at daycares, at IEP students' homes, and occasionally stop at homes "because they were on the way." There are typically two short buses that have also run during the AM, PM, and noon routes and have done some specialized pickups and drop offs (requiring a lift, etc). During the noon route, students are dropped off and picked up "door-to-door" at any address within the district.

For the 2019-2020 school year, there were two shuttles and two short buses transporting students in the AM & PM, and five (for a bit, six) buses providing the noon route transportation.

**To eliminate lost classroom time, help consolidate bus routes, save money, and to prepare for possible limitations due to COVID, the Transportation Department proposes these changes/standards for the 2020-2021 school year:**

Require licenses from daycares and only doing pickups and drop-offs at licensed daycares. This will eliminate stops at "fake daycares".

Continue to provide door-to-door transportation for students with special transportation written into their IEP.

Transportation will no longer be provided at out of district addresses.

Pre-School routes will drop off and pick up at home unless in the city limits. Children in the city limits will be picked up and dropped off at CAC, OAC, and SAC.

Encourage/require parents to drop off and pick up their student(s) at SAC/OAC/CAC and utilize the preschool shuttles.

Parents are able to drop off their students at SAC/OAC/CAC at 7:20am.

Once the COVID school reopening plan is finalized, the limited space on buses could require further limitations on preschool transportation.