



Keewatin-Patricia District School Board



Northwest Catholic District School Board

223-1256

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ATTENTION: PARENTS AND GUARDIANS OF BUS STUDENTS

TO QUALIFY FOR TRANSPORTATION, YOU OR YOUR CAREGIVER MUST RESIDE MORE THAN THE FOLLOWING DISTANCE FROM YOUR DESIGNATED SCHOOL:

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JK - Grade 3 – 1.0 km
Grade 4 - 8 – 2.0 km
Grade 9 - 12 – 3.2 km

JK-Gr.3 1.0 km
Gr.4-8 1.5 km
Not applicable

1. STOPS AND TIMES WILL REMAIN APPROXIMATELY THE SAME AS LAST YEAR. Headings and route descriptions are general in nature and do not provide a complete description. It is also necessary to revise routes from time to time as circumstances require.
2. If your student is beginning Grade 9 at Queen Elizabeth, you should have received a letter from our office indicating bussing arrangements. If you have not received a letter by August 20, please contact the Transportation Office. IF YOU HAVE RECEIVED A LETTER FROM US THERE IS NO NEED TO CALL.
3. Students who have moved and new students are required to make arrangements through the TRANSPORTATION OFFICE. Please do not call the Bus Operator or the school directly.
4. In the interest of safety, eligible students are permitted one pick-up point and one drop-off point only. These may be different but it must be the same arrangement every day and there must be room on the bus if it involves two buses.
5. The Transportation system is designed for eligible students who require the service on a regular basis. We have been experiencing situations where parents are securing seats on a bus but are not using the service on a regular basis. This is detrimental to students who require service regularly and we cannot provide it. We are monitoring rider-ship board wide and if loading is an issue we cannot accommodate irregular riders. Regular usage can be defined as at least three times per week either morning or evening. Each case would be reviewed on an individual basis. IF YOU ARE NOT REGULARLY USING THE SERVICE PLEASE ADVISE US. IF YOU ONLY REQUIRE THE SERVICE ONE-WAY, PLEASE CALL THE TRANSPORTATION OFFICE.
6. The Transportation system is designed for eligible students only for the purposes of home to school transportation. Parents or students are responsible for transportation to accommodate visiting friends, birthday parties, part-time employment, personal commitments or other activities.
7. In the interest of SAFETY and due to the volume of calls from our entire Board area (Kenora, Red Lake, Ear Falls, Vermilion Bay, Sioux Lookout, Ignace and Dryden), temporary requests will not be considered until after October 1. It also takes time for the routes to stabilize.
8. With respect to temporary requests, the following criteria must be met: 1. The change must be for five (5) consecutive days or longer and have the same drop-off and pick-up, 2. Twenty-four hour advance written notice must be provided to either the **principal or transportation office**, 3. There must be space available, 4. No route deviations or new stops and 5. **Written authorization must be given by the principal or designate to the driver**, (parents do not have the authority to give a note to the bus driver to initiate any changes). We do not consider any temporary arrangements until after October 2, 2009.
9. During school start-up, transportation arrangements may take up to 72 hours to arrange. Once the volume of calls has subsided, it will take the normal 48 hours to arrange. **CALL NOW – WE ARE OPEN ALL SUMMER.**
10. In the interest of safety for the youngest students of our schools, the KEEWATIN-PATRICIA DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD has a Visible Parent Program for JK/SK bus students. Junior and Senior Kindergarten students riding the school bus are to be met at their stop by a parent or parent-approved adult. The Program is in effect to ensure that students are not going home to an empty house and/or a child is not

required to navigate their own way home unaccompanied. Bus drivers are instructed not to let JK and SK students off the bus unless there is an adult to meet them.

11. All Bus Routes are subject to transportation audits which could result in a change of service, time or bus stop.
12. PLEASE ENSURE THAT ELIGIBLE STUDENTS ARE AT THEIR STOP AT LEAST TEN (10) MINUTES PRIOR TO THE SCHEDULED PICK-UP. AFTER THE ROUTE STABILIZES, (3rd WEEK OF SCHOOL), STUDENTS ARE TO BE AT THEIR STOPS AT LEAST FIVE (5) MINUTES PRIOR TO THE SCHEDULED PICK-UP. PLEASE RESPECT THIS AS DRIVERS HAVE A SCHEDULE TO MEET AND ARE NOT REQUIRED TO WAIT FOR STUDENTS.
13. If you child attends Sacred Heart School and is entering Grade 4, you may wish to check with the school to confirm or set up bussing arrangements as you may be eligible for bussing on their contracted bus.

The Transportation Office is open all summer. Please direct inquiries to the Transportation Office at 223-1256 Ext 1 or toll free 1-866-860-7770.



SIOUX LOOKOUT AREA



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SCHOOL BUS ROUTES FOR 2008-2009

Sioux Lookout & Hudson Area

LEGEND:	QEH – Queen Elizabeth District High School
	SMS – Sioux Mountain Public School
	SHS – Sacred Heart School
	HPS – Hudson Public School

Route IR23 – LAMB

Iron Range Bus Lines

Route begins at end of Drayton Rd servicing the road with stops at Minty's Corner, Lincoln Trailer Park, and Drayton Cash & Carry, Autumnwood Dr. Expresses to SHS for drop-offs & pick-up at Biidaabin Day Care. To QEH & SMS for drop-offs.

Route is reversed in the PM.

Route IR24 – FROG

Iron Range Bus Lines

Route begins at the end Moosehorn Rd and picks up at Moosehorn/Whispering Pines then travels north on Hwy 72 to Cedar Point Dr. Continues onto Abram Lake Rd. Services Abram Rd - making several stops. Expresses to SHS for drop offs. Last stops at Johnny's Supermarket and 57 Prince St. To QEH and SMS for drop-offs.

PM picks up at SHS, QEH and SMS. Makes stops at 57 Prince St and Johnny's Supermarket. Expresses to Abram Lake Rd for several stops. Stop along Hwy 72/Cedar Point Dr. Route finishes at Moosehorn Rd.

Route IR32 – EAGLE

Iron Range Bus Lines

Route begins at 15 Bernier Cres. Stops at Starratt Rd/Mill Rd. To Hudson School for pick-ups. Expresses to QEH for drop-offs. To SMS for drop-offs & pick-ups. To Highland Park/Atwood St and 5th Ave N(Curtis St)/3rd Ave N. Continues to 66 Fifth Ave N and 66 Princess St at the Headstart Program. Drop-offs at SHS.

Route is reversed in the PM.

Route IR32-2 – EAGLE

Iron Range Bus Lines

Part I Route begins with a pickup at HUD for Lac Seul (Frenchman's Head) students coming in on Keewayco Bus Lines and expresses to QEH and the Sioux Access Centre for drop offs. Part II picks-up Ethel St/5th Ave and 4rd Ave/Robert St. Drop-offs at SHS and SMS.

Route is reversed in the PM except Part II is on a different bus.

Route IR45 – TURTLE

Iron Range Bus Lines

Route begins at 419 Drayton Rd/Lincoln Trailer Park (elementary only). Continues North on Sturgeon Meadows Rd. Stop at Sturgeon Meadows Rd/Sturgeon River Rd junction (the crossroads). Turns onto Sturgeon River Rd with multiple stops. Turns around and travels west on Sturgeon River Rd with a stop at 161 (Mennonite Rd). Crosses Hwy 72 to pick up at May St & Mitchell Dr. Drop-offs at SHS, QEH, SMS.

Route is reversed in the PM.

Route IR49 – FISH

Iron Range Bus Lines

AM Route begins on Hwy 642. Turns left off Hwy 642 to service El Legros Rd. Turns around - back to Hwy 642. Services Hwy 642. Turn left on Goretzki Rd and services to the end. Crosses RR tracks and bridge, to junction of Hwy 642. Turns right onto First Ave - stops at backlane between King/Front, King/Queen and finally First/Hakala Place. Drop-offs at QEH, SMS & SHS.

PM Route starts with pick-ups at SHS. Drops off at Ethel St & Fifth Ave - Mailboxes, Third Ave S & Robert St, tops at backlane between King/Front, King/Queen and finally First/Hakala Place. Then to SMS and QEH for pick ups. Goes back and drops off at backlane between King/Front and King/Queen, Ethel St & Fifth Ave - mailboxes and Third Ave & Robert St. Heads out to Hwy 642 servicing several stops along the way including Goretzki Rd and Legros Rd.

Route IR80 – CAT

Iron Range Bus Lines

Route starts on Hwy 72 at Butterfly Lake. Run services along Hwy 72, stops at Voyageur N Rd, and other stops along Hwy 72 to Cook's Construction (pulls off highway), Red Pine Lodge, Ojibway Bait and 237 (MNR Fire Centre). To SHS for drop-offs. To Seventh Ave N for pick-up at the laneway - between 36 & 40. To QEH and SMS for drop-offs.

Route is reversed in the PM.

Route IR99 - WOLF

Iron Range Bus Lines

Route starts with pickups at 115 Abram Lake Rd-Pichlyk Res. Drop off at SHS and picks-up at 66 Princess-Headstart and on to pickup on First Ave N. Drop offs at SMS and QEH.

Route is reversed in the PM.