# WALTON-VERONA INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS TRANSPORTATION REFERENCE GUIDE

#### School Delays and Closings

Check local news stations, official Walton-Verona Independent School District Facebook page (@WVISD), or official Walton-Verona Transportation Twitter page (@WVISTransport) for information related to delays or closings. It is our goal to make determinations by 6AM. The Superintendent makes the final decision for delays/closings.

### **Parent/Guardian Expectations**

Parents/Guardians are responsible for supervision of student(s) to, at, and from the bus stop and are encouraged to accompany their child(ren) to/from their bus stop when possible. **Review bus safety with student(s) regularly**, a few safety items can be found in the right column of this page.

- 1. Students should be at their bus stop five minutes prior to the bus arriving.
- 2. Parents must provide transportation for any temporary changes to the student's to/from location.
- Students will be assigned to one bus in the AM and one bus in the PM.
- 4. Students may not ride any bus other than their assigned bus.
- Schools will not issue bus passes for students to ride another bus.
- 6. Transportation will only be provided from one designated AM location and to one designated PM location as indicated by a parent/guardian at the beginning of school year. This may include daycares or educational establishments located in the Walton-Verona District Boundaries.
- 7. Any changes made to AM or PM pick up locations must remain in effect for the entire school year and must be first communicated through the appropriate school office.
- 8. Transportation will consolidate bus stops where appropriate.
- Plan with your child what to do in the event of a no-onehome situation.
- Students whose parent/guardian/designee is not present at the bus stop where necessary may be returned to their school at the conclusion of the bus route.



#### **Preschool Students**

- All parents/guardians of preschool students are required to meet the bus at the bus stop for pick-up and drop-off daily.
- If no one is present at the bus stop for drop-off, your student(s) will be returned to the preschool building upon completion of the bus route.

#### **Kindergarten Students**

- Bus drivers must make eye contact with a parent/guardian or their designee before releasing a Kindergarten student.
- If no one is present at the bus stop for drop-off, your student(s) will be returned to WVES, or another district building, for pick-up at the end of the bus route.

#### **Carry-On Items**

Approved items brought on board any school bus are restricted to what may be held in in the student's lap.

This applies to...

- Athletic Equipment
- Backpacks
- Band Instruments
- School Projects

## <u>Walton-Verona District Number</u> (859) 485-4181

Option 1: Elementary School
Option 2: Middle School
Option 3: High School
Option 4: District Office
Option 5: Transportation
Option 6: HS Attendance
Option 7: ECC (Preschool)
Option 8: Children, Inc.

# Boarding, Riding, and Exiting the Bus Review Regularly with Your Student(s)

- 1. **NEVER** approach any school bus while it is still in motion.
- 2. **NEVER** chase after the school bus. If you miss the bus to school, go directly home and inform your parents. If you miss the bus from school, inform a school employee.
- 3. **NEVER** walk to another bus stop.
- 4. **NEVER** bend down or put any part of your body under the bus. If you drop something, leave it and go tell the bus driver.
- 5. **NEVER** walk to or from school without permission from your parent/guardian.
- 6. **ALWAYS** wait for the bus a safe distance (10-12 feet) from the edge of the roadway.
- 7. **ALWAYS** Make eye contact with the bus driver and wait for their hand signal before crossing the street or boarding the school bus.
- 8. **ALWAYS** maintain eye contact with the bus driver and stay within their field of vision.
- ALWAYS check traffic both ways before crossing any roadway.
- 10. Students are not permitted to eat or drink on the bus.
- 11. The School Bus Driver is authorized to assign seats.
- 12. Only board the bus you are assigned to ride.
- Wait for the bus to come to a complete stop before getting on or off of the bus.
- 14. Board the bus promptly and sit in the first available seat.
- 15. Be at your assigned bus stop 5 minutes prior to the bus arriving.

Be Safe. Be Respectful. Be Ready to Learn.