

**ATTENTION ALL PARENTS/GUARDIANS OF
SCHOOL BUS STUDENTS**

The Operations Department welcomes all students back to the 2021/2022 school year.

As per School District Policy 3600, transportation services are provided for School District No. 6 Kindergarten to Grade 12 students only.

All students must be registered annually as an eligible or courtesy rider in order to ride the school bus. Printable registration forms are available on the school district website on the Operations Department web page. The website is sd6.bc.ca. Registration forms will also be available from your child's school bus driver. Registration forms should be returned to the Operations Supervisor or the school bus driver.

Eligible Students - Students are considered to be eligible if their home address is at least 4.0 kms (K-Gr. 3) or 4.8 kms (Gr. 4 – Gr. 12) from the nearest bus stop or the nearest age and/or program appropriate school.

Non-Eligible/Courtesy Riders – Students that are considered non-eligible bus students are the responsibility of the parent/guardian; however, non-eligible students may be provided transportation as courtesy riders. Courtesy bus students are students that are not attending their age and/or program appropriate school or their home address is located within the distances noted above.

For your child to be approved for a courtesy ride on an existing school bus route you must submit a written request (e-mail) ***annually*** to the Operations Supervisor and there must be space available. Although every effort is made to expedite processing, these requests may not be approved until September 30th. ***Until such time as your request is approved or denied parents/guardians must provide transportation for their child. Please do not send your child/children to the bus stop unless you have received approval for a courtesy ride.***

Transportation Assistance - In accordance with Section 83 of the School Act, transportation assistance will be available to eligible students who reside further than 4.0 kms (K-Gr. 3) or 4.8 kms (Gr. 4 – Gr. 12) from the nearest bus stop or the nearest age and/or program appropriate school. Transportation assistance must be requested ***annually***. Applications are available at the School District Administration Office or on the School District website; sd6.bc.ca.

Students with Special Needs – Students with special needs, as approved by the Assistant Superintendent, are eligible for transportation or transportation assistance regardless of eligibility as defined in Board Policy 3600.

For further information regarding transportation of students please refer to Board Policy 3600 on the School District website or contact the Operations Supervisor in your zone.

Golden Zone – Al Ure, Operations Supervisor; 250-344-8643 or al.ure@sd6.bc.ca

Invermere Zone – Brian Nickurak, Operations Supervisor; 250-342-6814 or brian.nickurak@sd6.bc.ca

Kimberley Zone – Jim Bryce, Transportation Assistant; 250-427-2268, jim.bryce@sd6.bc.ca