



The Bus Zone

MAY 2008

FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

Angie's Reminders:

Early Out &
Last Day of School:
1:30 PM – May 16th

If you haven't already finished your 2nd Semester Bus Evacuation you need to do so before the end of the school year.

Attached is a 2008-2009 school calendar. Our first day of school is August 13th.

Continue to Recruit Drivers

By Angela Moore

As you are well aware of we are in need of substitute drivers. If you know of anyone who has an interest in driving, please contact me. It would be great if we could get one or two more substitute drivers in rotation for next year. I can certainly call an individual and start the licensing process.

Thanks From Mr. Bathen

I want to express our sincere thanks to all the bus drivers on a job well done this year. You have a very tough job to do as a bus driver. You have quite a few kids' depending on you to get them home safely. Whenever you have kids in such a compact space for such a long period of time, there are bound to be problems that occur. I know everything didn't go smoothly all the time and we have had some lengthy discussions at times, but you seemed to handle any problems that popped up very well.

Thanks for another good school year. Drive safely!

Driver Appreciation

By Jerry Phillips

As we near the end of the school year, I would like to take the opportunity to express a thank you to our bus drivers. Our district is fortunate to have individuals that are safety conscious and we can count on to provide transportation services for routes and many activities during the year. You are appreciated! Thank you for a safe and successful 2007-2008 school year.

End of Year Procedures

School will be dismissed at 1:30 on Friday, May 16th. Bus drivers plan accordingly. That will be your last route for this school year.

All buses need to be returned to the bus lot by Wednesday, May 23, 2007. Please clean out the interior of the buses and wash them prior to parking them in the bus lot. On this day you will also need to turn in 1) Final Mileage, 2) Cell Phones, 3) List of items to be looked at on your buses (body work/mechanical), 4) May Operating Cost Sheet, and 5) Final Weekly Inspection Sheet.

If you have any questions about the end of the year or returning you bus please contact me.

BUS ROUTE ASSIGNMENTS FOR 2008-2009

Angie will send out bus request forms to parents the first week in May to plan next year's routes. If you have some general questions about this feel free to check with Angie or me.

Being Prepared

By Jerry Phillips

The following message was included in the Bus Zone this time last year. It seems like a good idea to remind ourselves annually of this message.

"It is a good idea to think through what you might want to do in the event you get caught in high winds or tornado warnings. It is possible we may delay the routes, but there is no way to avoid the possibility that you might run into some times when you have to do what you think is best under the conditions you are facing."

Safety is the most important factor for bus drivers. Changing seasons always provide challenges. Our drivers have a great record of safety and we certainly want to continue that record. In addition to weather, spring brings more traffic including farm equipment. Always think safety!

