ITASCA SCHOOL DISTRICT 10

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Dear Parents,

In an effort to improve the operational efficiency and timeliness of busing, the District is reaffirming the following new procedures and guidelines with respect to route design and safety:

- I. Length of ride It is the district's goal not to exceed 45 minutes; however, it may at times be longer.
- II. The district will adhere to all applicable Illinois State laws in the implementation and operation of efficient bus services.
- III. The district will use Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) standards of vehicular safety to determine hazardous zones.
 - a. Examples: Rohlwing, Irving Park, Arlington Heights, Bloomingdale-Nordic
- IV. The district will also designate other hazardous streets as recommended to the Board of Education.
 - a. Examples: Part of Walnut, Swift, Prospect, Devon
- V. The Board has adopted the following acceptable maximum walking distances to bus stops:
 - a. Benson students can walk up to 1 block from their home.
 - b. Franzen students can walk up to 2 blocks from their home.
 - c. Peacock students can walk up to 3 blocks from their home
 - d. This is commensurate or better than what is offered at other districts.
- VI. The Board has adopted the following acceptable maximum walking distances in neighborhoods with no sidewalks:
 - a. Benson students will be picked up at drive-way where it is safe to do so.
 - b. Franzen students can walk up to 1 block from their home.
 - c. Peacock students can walk up to 2 blocks from their home.
 - d. Will be evaluated in cases where a vehicular hazard exists as determined by ISBE and IDOT.



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VII. Supervision:

- a. Benson students must be accompanied by an adult to the stop and received by an adult at drop-off. Students can cross streets with an adult. Students will be returned to school if no adult is present at drop-off.
- b. It is recommended that Franzen students be accompanied by an adult to and from their stop; however, it is not required.
- c. Peacock, no adult supervision required.
- VIII. In accordance with IDOT vehicular standards of safety, children can cross streets.
 - a. Benson students must be accompanied by a parent.
 - b. Same side pick-up is not guaranteed as this may cause significant delays in bus service.
- IX. Only two different stops will be allowed during the school year in the AM and PM.
 - a. The district cannot accommodate more than two.
 - b. Bus assignments will not be permitted to change during the school year and will remain static.
- X. Late registrants after June 14th (excluding new enrollees) are placed on the closest stop and may require 30 days for a specific stop adjustment.
- XI. Registering after the school year begins.
 - a. Students who are added onto the route after the year begins will be placed at a stop nearest their home address.
- XII. Any changes requested through the Transportation Change Request Form will require a minimum of 1 week turn around for implementation if the change has been approved.

These changes have been approved by the Board of Education and are designed for the benefit of the community and all students we serve. We appreciate your cooperation in helping us to transport your child(ren) in a safe and timely manner.

