

KATAHDIN SCHOOLS RSU #89

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February 6, 2024

Dear Katahdin Schools Families, Students and Staff,

After much thought and consideration the decision has been made to shift our district bussing. The nationwide shortage of bus drivers is currently impacting our district. As a result it is necessary for us to reduce our number of buses on the road each day. In addition to ensuring that we can transport students to school, this decision also supports greater efficiency and fiscal responsibility to our community.

After a thorough review of our current routes, number of students on each bus and the time students ride the bus it has been determined that we can transport all of our south bound students on two buses. Jim and Lisa's buses will be combined for one run. The time shift will be approximately 20 minutes earlier pick up times in the morning. The first pick up for the combined south bound bus will be approximately 7:10 AM.

Thank you in advance for your understanding, cooperation and patience during this transition.

The following changes will be made to our district bussing beginning on Monday, February 12th:

- Current bus routes:
 - North bound - 3 buses
 - South bound - 3 buses
 - Benedicta and other EUT areas - 1 bus
- **New bus routes beginning on Monday, February, 12th**
 - North bound - 3 buses; Sue, Lisa, Kathy
 - South bound - 2 buses; Jim & Tal
 - Benedicta and other EUT areas - 1 bus; Mary

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Below are the streets/locations that are affected by this shift:

Jim

North Street
Gallison Road
Woodbridge Corner Road
Cold Brook Road
Cloukey Farm
Rt. 2
Qualey Farm
Woodbridge Corner
School Street
Extract Rd (The Dump Rd)
Gardiner St (Box Factory Rd)
Patterson Rd
Cow Team Rd
Katahdin Motel
Golden Ridge Rd

Tal

Benedicta Road
Kelly Hill Road
Grindstone Road
Siberia Road
Swift Brook Road
Station Road
Elm Street
Katahdin Street
Rolling Meadow

If you have specific questions about your bus pick up/drop off time, please contact our Transportation Supervisor, Dennis Brackett 207-731-7931 or your child's school. KES 207-365-4285; KMHS 207-365-4218.

Respectfully,



Marie Robinson, Ph.D.
Superintendent of Schools