Clio Area Schools
Transportation Deparment

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Parents and Guardians,

Clio Area Schools Transportation Department is excited to announce some new and exciting changes that will improve the level of service and safety for students while at the same time providing more information to parents/guardians. These changes, combined with a policy of requiring consistent schedules for students with two addresses, will result in a transportation system that is safe, secure, and convenient for all families.

As we prepare for the 2024-2025 school year, every school bus has been fitted with a navigation tablet that includes a card reader. A "Bus Pass Card" will be issued to each student who rides a bus, and **they will be responsible for having it with them each day.** They will swipe the card as they board the bus and again as they get off the bus. This allows us to know who is on each bus at any given time, but with the free "My Ride K-12" app, parents/guardians will also be able to confirm their student is on the bus and an approximate time the bus will be arriving at a specific stop. We encourage all parents to download the My Ride K-12 app on their phones and/or electronic devices.

While this new system will improve the safety for your student and the consistency of our transportation system, it will result in a couple of changes to our alternate bus stop policy. These new tablets require set schedules (a set stop for each day of the week on a continuing basis) so we will no longer be able to accommodate varying schedules.

- A family can have one primary address and one secondary address on file as official bus stops (two addresses total). Secondary addresses can be another parent/guardian, grandparent, or care provider.
- When using a secondary address, a consistent weekly schedule is required. It is our goal to accommodate all secondary address requests. However, if an address is out of district or an unsafe stop, a request will be denied.
- The form to request an alternate bus stop is available on our website via this QR code or at https://bit.ly/3YjoxVE. The form is also available at our transportation department office at 2242 W. Vienna Road, Clio during regular business hours.
- A 5-day notice for an alternative bus stop to take effect will be required.
- Community stops are being set up at the following locations:
  - Fellowship Baptist Church, 14046 N. Saginaw St.
  - Colonial Hills Baptist Church, 5375 W. Mt. Morris Rd.
  - Willard Road at the corner of Baker Drive
  - Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 2368 W. Dodge Rd.

We realize this could cause an inconvenience for some, but for the safety of all students we need consistency. Thank you in advance for your cooperation as we implement these changes.

Sincerely,

Lisa Taylor
Superintendent

Brad Wiskur
Director of Operations
and Transportation