



Arbor Park

School District 145

TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

OCTOBER 2020 UPDATE

Bus Riders

As the District transitions to in-person learning for a portion of our student body, those learners who are returning to our schools are invited to ride District buses. If you plan on riding a District bus, you should be aware of the following information/expectations:

Information

- ❖ Riding an Arbor Park School District 145 bus is a privilege.
- ❖ Each District bus will have a Bus Aide in addition to the Bus Driver. The Bus Aide will be temperature screening at each bus stop in the AM and will monitor PPE and social distancing expectations during the route in the AM and PM.
- ❖ Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, it is possible that certain buses, bus routes or even the whole fleet may need to be taken out of service at a moment's notice. The District will communicate changes to bus availability as soon as we possibly can.
- ❖ The overall number of students on a given bus will not exceed current IDPH guidelines.
- ❖ Bus routes/stops have been created for all students who are returning to in-person learning, but you are not required to take a District bus to/from school.
- ❖ Bus routes for all four District schools can be found on the District web site at <https://www.arbor145.org/Content2/transportation>.

Expectations

- ❖ Each bus rider will be temperature and health screened before boarding.
- ❖ If a student has a measured temperature at or above 100.4 degree Fahrenheit, they will not be allowed to board a District bus and must return home for remote learning.
- ❖ Students must be fever free for at least 24 hours without fever reducing medications.

- ❖ **If any of the following symptoms are present, students will be denied entry to a District bus:**
 - **A Fever of 100.4 degree Fahrenheit or higher**
 - **Severe Headache, shortness of breath**
 - **New cough, sore throat, vomiting, diarrhea, or abdominal pain from unknown cause**
 - **New congestion/runny nose, new loss of taste or smell or nausea**
 - **Fatigue from unknown cause and muscle or body aches**
- ❖ **The District health screening must be completed each day before boarding a bus.**
- ❖ **The District expects that a responsible adult is waiting with their child(ren) at the bus stop for all Kindergarten through 5th graders. If a child has a measured temperature at or above 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit, the child will be returned to the responsible adult and must return home for remote learning. If 6th through 8th graders are left unattended at a bus stop and are prevented from boarding a bus, they must return home for remote learning.**
 - **If a 6th through 8th grade student is not allowed on a bus and is sent home for remote learning, Arbor Park Middle School will verify that the student has returned home and/or is with their parent/guardian.**
- ❖ **All students must wear a facial covering 100% of the time while riding a District bus. Failure or difficulty in keeping a facial covering on at all times will lead to bus privileges being revoked immediately and will not be reinstated until at least November 30, 2020.**
- ❖ **Students will be assigned seats on each District bus. Failure to follow seating and behavior guidelines will lead to bus privileges being revoked immediately and will not be reinstated until at least November 30, 2020.**
- ❖ **All bus riders are expected to socially distance at their bus stop.**
- ❖ **All bus riders are expected to wear a facial covering while waiting at the bus stop.**
- ❖ **The District will not accept any bus route changes until further notice. Students must board and return home to the bus stop that has been assigned by the Transportation Coordinator.**