

August 19, 2021

The planning is underway to greet students for the new school year, with all the necessary measures in place. As the new school year approaches, please take the time to talk with your child and reassure them that their safety and security is our main priority.

An online version of your child's bus information will be available through the Mozaïk Parent Portal as of August 24<sup>th</sup> 2021. This information is available for all students who use the ETSB transportation system in the eastern sector and those who are transported by the transportation system for the Centre de services scolaire du Vals-des-Cerfs in the western sector. Depending on which service your child uses, the instructions vary, so please choose the link for your sector on the [transportation section of the ETSB website](#).

Please note that the pick-up times indicated are approximate. Your child should be ready for the school bus at least **10 minutes earlier** than the time indicated.

Please note that you must inform your child's school of any change of address at least two (2) weeks prior to the effective date of the change. You will be responsible for transporting your child until the new transportation information is issued. Please use the online form: <http://www.etsb.qc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/Proof-of-designated-address-form-2020.pdf> and send it to your school's secretary with proof of your new address.

If your situation has changed and you will be transporting your child to and from school, please email [transportation@etsb.qc.ca](mailto:transportation@etsb.qc.ca).

We want to take this opportunity to bring you up to date on how our school transportation will operate for the start of the 2021-2022 school year:

- Students from grade 1 to secondary 5 must have a procedure mask to wear all the time while they are on the bus. For K4 and K5 students, it is strongly recommended that they also have and wear a procedure mask.
- During the first few days of school, a seating plan for the school bus will be created and students will be required to stay in this seat for the school year.
- Students are asked to wash their hands before leaving for the bus in the morning and before leaving school at the end of the day. As well, hand sanitizer will be available for students when they get on and off the bus.
- All school buses will be thoroughly cleaned between the morning and afternoon bus runs and before the start of each day.
- Bus drivers will have protective equipment (PPE) to protect themselves and students.
- Walking distances will be enforced as per the transportation policy, therefore, if your child has had bus transportation in the past as a courtesy, this may not be the case for the start of the 2021-2022 school year.

- Temporary Bus Passes: In previous years, we have been able to offer temporary bus passes to students for one-time changes to their transportation. However, due to COVID-19 restrictions, it is not possible to accommodate these requests. So unfortunately, no temporary bus passes will be issued during the 2021-2022 school year.

If you require more information or clarification concerning the transportation of your child, please contact the Transportation Department or visit the school board website at [www.etsb.qc.ca](http://www.etsb.qc.ca).

Thank you and have a good back to school.

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