



Framingham Public Schools

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MEMORANDUM

Date: May 9, 2018
FOR: Press Release
FROM: Patricia DiSalle, Assistant Director, Transportation Department
RE: Transportation for 2018-2019

Do you want or need bus transportation for the 2018 - 2019 school year? Framingham Public Schools has opened registration and are asking all families to submit requests online using the Aspen X2 Portal (<http://bit.ly/FPSX2>).

Parents or Guardians seeking bus transportation or changes to automatic bus assignments can sign up and register online using their child's LASID number. Instructions are available on the Transportation Department website. There is also a video and illustrated instructions. Learn more here: <http://bit.ly/FPSTransportation>

The deadline for transportation registration is June 15, 2018

Students will not be assigned to a bus unless a request for transportation is received and approved by the Transportation Department. Transportation requests received after the June 15th deadline may not be processed until after the start of school year.

Please see below and identify the appropriate grade level for the 2018-2019 school year and home location information to determine your eligibility and next steps.

Grades K-5

- Students in grades **K - 5** who live **outside the 2 mile** limit of their assigned school, **will be automatically assigned** a bus stop close to their residential address. There is no fee.
- Students in grades **K - 5** who live **between 1 - 2 miles** of their assigned school **must submit a transportation request** via Aspen X2. (Seats will be offered based on availability). If requested and approved, a transportation fee will apply or will be waived if the student qualifies for free/reduced lunch.
- **Transportation is not provided** to students who live **within 1 mile** of their assigned school; consideration may be made if a student has to cross a major road such as Route 9. If requested and approved, a transportation fee will apply or will be waived if the student qualifies for free/reduced lunch.

Grade 6

- Students in **grade 6** who live **outside the 2 mile** limit of their assigned school **must submit a transportation request** via Aspen X2. There is no fee.
- Students in **grade 6** who live **between 1 - 2 miles** of their assigned school **must submit a transportation request** via Aspen X2. (Seats will be offered based on availability). If requested and approved, a transportation fee will apply or will be waived if the student qualifies for free/reduced lunch.
- **Transportation is not provided** to students who live **within 1 mile** of their assigned school; consideration may be made if a student has to cross a major road such as Route 9. If requested and approved, a transportation fee will apply or will be waived if the student qualifies for free/reduced lunch.

Grades 7-12

- First Priority: Students in grades **6 - 12** who live **outside the 2 mile** limit of their assigned school **must submit a transportation request** via Aspen X2. (Seats will be offered based on availability). If requested and approved, a transportation fee will apply or will be waived if the student qualifies for free/reduced lunch.
- Second Priority: Students in grades **6 - 12** who live **between 1 - 2 miles** of their assigned school **must submit a transportation request** via Aspen X2. (Seats will be offered based on availability). If requested and approved, a transportation fee will apply or will be waived if the student qualifies for free/reduced lunch.
- Third Priority: **Transportation is not provided** to students that live **within 1 mile** of their assigned school; consideration may be made if a student has to cross a major road such as Route 9. If requested and approved, a transportation fee will apply or will be waived if the student qualifies for the free / reduced lunch.

If you have a child in grades **K-5** who lives **outside the 2 mile** limit of their assigned school AND/OR a student with **included transportation due to an IEP** through the Special Education Office and want to **decline or change** your automatic bus assignment, please indicate this through the same Transportation Request form within the Aspen X2 Portal (<http://bit.ly/FPSX2>). Examples of this include:

- Parents who intend to do parent pick up/drop off
- Parents who need to request an alternate stop/daycare location for grades K-5

Next Steps

- Step 1: Sign into Aspen X2 Portal (<http://bit.ly/FPSX2>)
- Step 2: Complete the registration form
- Step 3: Receive automated confirmation email
- Step 4: Make payment
- Step 5: Receive automated email with bus assignment / details (late August)

Questions? Contact the Transportation Department 508-626-9179 (Monday - Friday, 8am - 4pm)

For students who attend McAuliffe Charter School and any of the local private schools; please contact the school your student will be attending, to sign up for transportation.