

IF YOUR STUDENT NEEDS TO RIDE THE SCHOOL BUS NEXT YEAR, PLEASE READ THIS!!!!

Hi! My name is Lori Jioras and I am the new Director of Transportation for Apache Junction Unified School District. My team and I will be working throughout the summer to prepare for the first day of school. We are looking forward to a more efficient, effective and positive year. In order to achieve this, we are going to be making some changes. Please read through this letter so you stay informed.

1. For the 2018-2019 school year, **ANY STUDENT REQUIRING SCHOOL BUS TRANSPORTATION WILL BE REQUIRED TO FILL OUT A "REQUEST FOR SCHOOL BUS TRANSPORTATION" FORM.** (We need one form for each student) Going forward, you will only need to fill out another form if you have an address change. In order to give my staff enough time to get routes prepared for the new year, **forms have to be received to us no later than Friday, June 29th.** There are several ways to get this form to us:
 - You may return the form to the school up until June 14th.
 - You may mail the form to us at: AJUSD Transportation
2535 S. Ironwood Dr.
Apache Junction, AZ 85120
 - You may e-mail the form to: ljioras@goaj.org
 - You may bring the form into the district office

Any forms received AFTER June 29th will not be routed for transportation until July 30th. Parents will be responsible for transportation until that time.

2. In order to run as efficiently as possible, we will only be allowing one pick-up/drop-off location. This will need to be the students' home address. Please plan accordingly.
3. We will no longer allow students to ride home with friends. Allowing students onto buses they are not routed to can create a problem for seating, safety and behaviors. An exception can be granted by an administrator or the Transportation Director on a case-by-case emergency situation only.

The Transportation Department will be sending out letters on July 10 to notify you of your student's busing assignment. **If you need your student on a school bus the first day of school make sure to have your form turned in by JUNE 29th!**

IF YOUR STUDENT DOES NOT NEED SCHOOL BUS TRANSPORTATION, PLEASE DISREGARD THIS LETTER!

I'm looking forward to a great year with Apache Junction! Please contact our department at (480) 982-1110 if you have any questions.

Thank you,

