



March 5, 2018

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Re: School Bus Route Changes Effective March 19, 2018

Since the beginning of the school year, many bussing students in the Halifax Regional School Board (HRSB) have been arriving late to class. There are a number of reasons for this but we understand that this has been an inconvenience to families.

A plan has been developed by the HRSB's transportation provider, Stock Transportation, to address the situation and to ensure that students get to class on time each day.

Starting **Monday, March 19**, adjustments will be made to some bus routes. Among the adjustments will be the addition of new bus routes, the removal of courtesy stops and the introduction of earlier school arrival times in the morning. These changes will impact more than 20 schools.

Earlier school arrival times will mean earlier morning pick up times for some students. The schools impacted by this change are:

- Atlantic Memorial Elementary
- Basinview Drive Community School
- Bedford South School
- Brookside Junior High
- Dartmouth High
- Five Bridges Junior High
- Grosvenor-Wentworth Park Elementary
- Hammond Plains Consolidated Elementary
- Harry R. Hamilton Elementary
- Madeline Symonds Middle School
- **Ridgecliff Middle School**
- Rocky Lake Junior High
- Sackville Heights Elementary
- Sackville Heights Junior High
- Waverley Memorial Elementary

The changing of morning pick up times will result in changes to some of the bus routes serving these schools. Stock Transportation is currently working on revised routing and we expect to be able to share this information with you no later than March 8.

We understand that introducing these changes at this time will be an inconvenience for families. They are necessary, however, to ensure that students arrive to class on time.

Additional information can be found at www.hrsb.ca/about-our-schools/student-transportation .

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Sincerely,

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