

West Hartford Public Schools

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Pre-K & KINDERGARTEN PRACTICE RIDE

Prior to the start of school a bus ride is scheduled to familiarize new pre-k (Charter Oak, Smith, Webster Hill) and kindergarten students who are eligible for transportation with the feel of riding a school bus for the first time.

The program is voluntary and the new pre-k and kindergarten student must have a parent or other adult accompany him/her.

The purpose of the program is to allow a first time bus student the experience of boarding a bus, the seating situation, the feel of the ride as well as the noises created by the bus. **Pre-K and Kindergarten teachers will not be present.**

This bus route is not the actual school bus route and the driver is not your child's actual driver.

The Practice Route will be held as follows:

Monday, August 6, 2018, 9:00 a.m. - A bus will be available at each elementary school to take you and your child on a short ride to experience the bus.

Reminders

- ***Pre-K and Kindergarten students will not be released without a parent waiting at the stop - they will be returned to school if a parent is not at the bus stop to accept them. Parents can provide the BOE with a letter including up to 5 alternate persons who will be responsible to accept the child from the bus stop if they are unable to do so. Please contact this office at 561-6647 for further information.***
- ***Pre-K and Kindergarten students are not transported door to door. They follow the same State of CT guidelines which indicate that they can walk up to the same mileage to a bus stop as to school which is up to one (1) mile. Please be waiting outside at the designated bus stop appropriately dressed for the weather conditions. If student(s) are waiting in your home or a car, the bus is not required to stop.***

Transportation Provider is First Student, Inc. 860-953-2030