WCSD Bus Transportation to and from a Babysitter or Day Care
2021-2022 School Year

Students in grades K-8 are eligible for bus transportation to or from a babysitter or day care location. A student may be transported to or from the location of a child care provider if the student’s legal residence and the child care provider’s location are both located within the boundaries of the District.

Parents must request child care transportation no later than April 1st of the current school year for the 2021-2022 school year. Child care requests must be filed every year, even if there is no change to your student’s child care provider. **Forms are not carried over from year to year.**

Day care facilities registered under Section 390 of the New York State Department of Social Services are entitled to transportation to and from day care centers within the Wappingers Central School District, provided the application is received by the April 1st deadline. Requests received after the April 1st deadline will be considered a late file and you may not get the bus stop you request.

**ALL** bus routing is completed by the time school starts. For your child’s safety, the bus driver, teacher, school and Transportation Department need to know your child’s proper bus and bus stop. For this reason, all alternate transportation requests for the start of the school year must be processed by August 15th. Late requests made after this date will not be processed until after September 30th AND there may not be a bus available to and/or from your chosen day care provider.

*PLEASE NOTE that the pandemic has affected these dates due to Governor's Executive Orders. The District will provide updates as new information is available.*

Babysitter locations **NOT** licensed or registered under Section 390 of the New York State Department of Social Services **are restricted to the attendance zone of the school the child attends.**

Day care locations must be set up for **five (5) days a week in and/or out.** Otherwise, a daily note to school is required, and **only to or from an existing** stop on an existing route.

Childcare Transportation Request Forms are available in each school’s Main Office and on our Transportation Website. Please fill out one form per student and return it to your child’s school. The Principal or his/her designee must sign the form. Main Office personnel will send it to the Transportation Office to be processed. Please allow five (5) days for processing once we receive it. Any time a change is made, a new form must be submitted to school.

If you are new to the District, you must go to our Central Registrar to register your child before transportation can be arranged. For families who become district residents after April 1st, a transportation request should be submitted within thirty (30) days of establishing district residency.

**Central Registration is located at the WCSD District Office, 25 Corporate Park Drive, Hopewell Junction, New York 12533. Call ahead for an appointment at 845-298-5000 ext. 40132. Please bring proof of residency to your scheduled appointment.**