

TRANSPORTATION PROPOSAL

OCTOBER 20, 2025



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AGENDA

- » **CURRENT TRANSPORTATION & ROUTING IMPACT**
- » **OPTIONS**
- » **GOALS WITH CHANGES**
- » **CURRENT RIDER LEVELS**
- » **CURRENT VS. PROPOSED ARRIVALS**
- » **NEXT STEPS**

CURRENT TRANSPORTATION ROUTING IMPACT

- Operating 19 regular HTS bus routes that serve 4 elementary schools

All 19 buses proceed to West Early Learners Academy, which has a later dismissal time

- Requires buses to travel to West, queue for student pick-up, and then begin elementary school drop-offs
- Creates average delay of approximately 15 minutes to elementary school drop-offs
- Delays significantly impact transportation schedule, particularly by reducing available time for elementary school drop-offs

= Late arrivals at both middle school and high school

Also impacting morning routes = students arriving late to secondary campuses, impacting start of the academic day

OPTIONS

1. Adjust middle school and high school bell times to later start and release times by 15-20 minutes
2. Discontinue transporting students of employees to the staff members' place of employment
3. Make adjustments to routing of elementary and West Early Learners Academy without changing bell times

GOALS TO ACHIEVE WITH CHANGES

Plan:

Divide 19 routes to cover all 5 schools individually
West Early Learners Academy to operate as stand-alone routes

Expected time savings:

15–20 minutes

Goal:

Improve timeliness of elementary school drop offs and pick ups
to create a positive downstream impact on Middle and High
School schedules

CURRENT RIDER LEVELS

- Approximately 484 elementary students
- 125 West Early Learners Academy riders
= 609 riders

Adjusting routes of 609 elementary riders
will positively impact 1500+ middle school
and high school students

CURRENT VS. PROPOSED ARRIVALS

Middle School

Current Average Arrival: 7:35 – 7:45

Projected Average Arrival: 7:15 – 7:25

High School

Current Average Arrival: 8:05 – 8:20

Projected Average Arrival: 7:50 – 8:05

NEXT STEPS

Upon approval from School Board:

- Assign buses to West Early Learners Academy
- Reroute Elementary School Buses
- Print new routes for upload into website
- Provide stop and time information to all parents
- Run practice routes with drivers
- Implement new routes on Dec. 1

THANK YOU

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