## Transportation



October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023

## **BUS DRIVER SHORTAGE**

A province-wide shortage of bus drivers is being felt here in the Chilliwack School District. The staffing shortage mirrors challenges that are felt in many sectors, including education staff. Our priority is ensuring students continue to have dependable daily transportation. While we are working hard to address staffing issues without impacting service, we anticipate some possible service disruptions and bus route cancellations in the coming days.

In the event we need to cancel your bus route, due to staff shortages, we will notify you as early as possible in the morning. We **strongly encourage** Parents/Guardians to **download the app below from your app store:** 

## **Traversa Ride 360 App**



This application sends push notifications in cases of route delays or cancellations, eliminating the need for families to repeatedly check their emails. This information will also be posted on the Chilliwack School District Website.

In anticipation of possible route cancelations, we encourage families to have an alternate transportation plan in place. This might include arrangements for driving your child to school or coordinating carpooling.

We know how important bus transportation is to our families and genuinely regret that the driver shortage means we may not be able to offer the service consistently to everyone this fall. Please know we are working diligently to find the best possible solutions and hire bus drivers.

We are currently accepting bus driver applications. For more information on applications and training, please submit your resume by replying to this email.

Thank you in advance for your patience and cooperation as we navigate these challenges.

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