



**Halifax**

Regional Centre for Education

# Student Transportation

## What do families need to know?

**If a student rode the bus in 2018–19 and they haven't changed schools or moved, they will be provided with transportation for 2019–20 whether they were eligible OR riding the bus as a courtesy.**

BusPlanner is the best way to make sure families have all the transportation information they need, including stop locations, pick up times and drop off times.

Families should check bus routes and times by logging into BusPlanner's Parent Portal at:

[hrce.mybusplanner.ca](http://hrce.mybusplanner.ca)

*Please allow for a minimum of a five minute window on these times.*

If families have students that have changed schools or moved or want to request an unassigned seat (courtesy seat), **please contact the HRCE Transportation Team.**

## Questions?

HRCE's Transportation Team is here to help:

☎ 902-431-HRCE (4723) ✉ [transportation@hrce.ca](mailto:transportation@hrce.ca)

[hrce.ca/transportation](http://hrce.ca/transportation)

## What if we are not eligible for student transportation?

As a courtesy in 2019–20, the HRCE may allow the very few unassigned bus seats to be used by students who are not eligible for student transportation.

**However, seats go to eligible bus students first and unassigned seats are extremely limited.**

HRCE has received hundreds of new students and are rapidly enrolling them and routing to school. HRCE will not be able to confirm how many unassigned seats are available until after late registration of new students and all routing is finalized.

**HRCE will inform families of any unassigned seat availability once all eligible bus students are accounted for, which will likely be mid-September.**

## What can families expect in the first month of school?

- With more than 300 buses, back to work, university and college traffic, as well as road construction, **please expect delays in the first few weeks of September.**
- **Please remember school buses are on time if they arrive five minutes prior to the start of classes.** Please check school websites for bell times.

