



2024 BACK TO SCHOOL

STUDENT TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

On Monday, **August 19, 2024**, Niagara Student Transportation Services (NSTS) will post preliminary back to school transportation arrangements for each student eligible for transportation. This information will include bus route numbers, stop locations and times. Finalized Transportation will be available on **Thursday, August 29, 2024**. **Please mark your calendars to check back on Aug 29, 2024 for your first day of school details.**

To access your student's transportation-related details (including school, home address, pick-up/drop-off), please visit, www.nsts.ca, sign in to the secure parent portal and Add your student. To add your student to your account, you will need their Ontario Education Number (OEN), which can be found on their report card. Adding your student will also subscribe you to the delay and cancellation module, ensuring you receive direct emails regarding any changes that impact your student's bus route.

Opt-In/Out for Transportation

- **Opt-In:** If you intend for your eligible student to ride the bus, please complete the Opt-In to Transportation form in the parent portal. **If you have already opted in for the 2023/24 school year, you do not need to do so again for the 2024/25 school year.**
- **Opt-Out:** If your eligible student will not be riding the bus, please complete the Opt-Out form. This helps NSTS plan capacity and ride times better and provides accurate passenger manifests, which are crucial for student safety.

Eligibility Information

Eligibility details, including detailed calculations for students living within the non-transported zone, are available through the parent portal.

Address Changes

Changes to home, pick-up, or drop-off addresses must be made through your student's school. During the summer, you may notify NSTS of address changes to ensure a bus stop is available for your student at the start of the school year. However, NSTS is not authorized to change student address information.

Important Notices

With the secure parent portal available, NSTS **will not** mail any student transportation notices, except for kindergarten students or new students to the system who do not have an OEN to sign in to the portal.

If your student's personal information is not yet accurate in the portal, please contact your school.

For questions regarding your student's transportation arrangements, please contact NSTS.