

Wiggins School District RE-50J

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Transportation has been suspended for the First Semester of the 2020-2021 school year.

As many of you are aware, current transportation requirements make it difficult to transport students to and from school. As of June 8, 2020 it is required that no bus transport more than 10 students at any time. On average our school buses can carry 65 students, three to a seat. Under current requirements our buses would only be able to carry 10 students to and from school.

In addition to these transportations requirements is the fact that the district only has 3 bus drivers to service 6 bus routes. With our rout drivers cut in half the school district does not have the capacity to meet the needs of our families at this time. Wiggins School District is sorry to have to make the decision of suspending transportation for the first semester, but will revisit transportation for the Spring Semester during the fall.

To help with parents who must leave early for work the district will open its doors at 7 a.m. every morning that we are session. There will be a sign up for 7 a.m. drop off at Registration.

Currently the district is working on two things that may help families that find it difficult to get to school.

These include:

- 1. Help families connect with other families who live in close proximity for car pooling
- 2. Seek individuals who would walk, or ride a bike with children who live in the Kiowa Park development

The district realizes these areas do not take the place of transportation, but hope they alleviate some of the strain families will endure do to the lack of school supplied transportation.

More information will be sent out as we get closer to the start of school.

Trent Kerr

Superintendent,