



PLAINVIEW-OLD BETHPAGE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Residents of the Plainview-Old Bethpage Central School District, *whose children will be attending a private or parochial school during the 2019-2020 school year must submit a transportation application to the Transportation Department on or before April 1, 2019. Failure to submit the application by April 1st could jeopardize your ability to qualify for transportation, and your child may be ineligible for district transportation for the 2019-2020 school year. In those cases, the cost and the arrangement for transportation may rest with the parent/guardian.*

Please be advised that a decision to enroll a student in a private/parochial school after the April 1, 2019 deadline does not constitute a reasonable excuse for the failure to submit a timely transportation request to that school, when there may be an additional cost for such transportation. *If you are awaiting acceptance to several private/parochial schools, you should complete a transportation application for each school that your child might attend.*

The transportation application form can be filled out digitally, printed out, signed and mailed to the following address:

Attention: Transportation Department
Plainview-Old Bethpage Central School District
106 Washington Avenue
Plainview, New York 11803

When submitting a transportation application for a *Kindergarten* student, *please also provide a birth certificate.*

Plainview-Old Bethpage residents must use our transportation application as we will not accept the private/parochial school's application. Applications can be found on the district's website or can be obtained from the Transportation Department, located in the Mattlin Middle School Administration Offices.

Please Note: Transportation authorization is not automatic or continuous from one school year to the next. Requests *must* be filled out *each year for each individual child.* (For example: If there are 4 children in one household, you must submit 4 applications every year).

All new students who move into or within the Plainview-Old Bethpage Central School District must be registered for school and must prove residency. You can do this by contacting Ms. Bonnie McGowan, our District Registrar, at (516) 434-3045, if you have any questions concerning the registration process.

Transportation is not provided for schools over 15 miles from the student's residence. Late buses are provided if there are 5 or more students who will ride the bus on a daily basis. It is understood that transportation will not be provided on the following days: Columbus Day, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving Day and day after Christmas Day, New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Day, President's Day, Memorial Day and Labor Day. In addition, each general election day and any day appointed by the president of the United States or by the Governor of New York State may be declared public holidays. There will be no bus service for orientation days prior to the opening of the Plainview-Old Bethpage Central School District. The opening day of school for all grades, K-12, is Tuesday, September 3, 2019.

If Plainview-Old Bethpage Central School District schools are closed due to inclement weather, there will be no transportation for any private and parochial schools. If the district is operating with a delayed opening, then all schools will be transported on a delayed schedule. School closing information can be found on **Cablevision Channel 12, Radio WCBS, WBAB, WKJY, WHLI, WALK, WINS, & WGBB.** Please refer to the district calendar for further information.