Kindergarten Bus Information

Many new kindergarten parents have questions about school bus procedures. Please read and keep the following information:

General Information:

Buses for Orchard Elementary are only provided to students who live 2+ miles from the school and live near the 2000 North and 630 East bus stop, and top of Skyline Drive bus stop.
The district will only provide a bus if there are more than 10 students who would ride it at each specific time.

Parent Responsibilities:

• You are responsible for looking up bus stop locations and times. Use this website: <u>http://bus.alpinedistrict.org/stopsandbounds/stopsandbounds.html</u> Type in your address, click on the circle that appears, and then click "Show Bus Stops". Then, click on the red bus symbol to find the times for your kindergarten session.

• You are responsible for waiting with your child at the bus stop until the bus comes.

• You are responsible for waiting at the bus stop for your child to be brought back home. It is district policy for bus drivers to bring children back to the school if there is no adult at the bus stop.

• You are responsible for teaching your child which stop to use to exit the bus.

You are responsible for teaching your child which symbol to look for his or her bus. Each bus has a number, but the drivers also hang a signal in the window by the door for students to easily see which bus is which. Unfortunately, sometimes these symbols change throughout the year.
You are responsible for teaching your child what to do if he or she misses the bus. Our secretaries in the front office are here to help.

School Responsibilities:

• We will provide each student who rides the bus with a tag that will attach to his or her backpack. The tag will indicate which stop your child will be using and which bus he or she should ride. This should help our bus drivers in case your child cannot remember which stop to use.

• A teacher or aide will help kindergarten students get to the bus for a transitionary period.

Questions?

Call our front office at 801-610-8115 with questions about bus information. If you have specific questions or concerns, we invite you to directly speak with our Transportation Department at 801-610-8155.

