



October 13, 2023

To all YCS, CSFTNO, and YK1 families:

Bussing Information Update -2023/ 2024 School year

Kindly be advised that the deadline for bus pass applications for the 2023-2024 school year is **October 31, 2023**. For parents and guardians currently placed on the waiting list due to distance restrictions and who have submitted appeals, please take note that the waitlist will undergo evaluation, and a decision will be communicated to you by mid-November.

The bus company is currently reviewing bus pass applications, considering distance limits for Yellowknife schools. This process is expected to conclude by October 31. Afterward, the bus company will inform Yellowknife school boards of available seats. School boards will then evaluate appeals from families and allocate bus spaces based on merit, with the appeal reviews anticipated in mid-November.

It is important to note that the distances used to determine eligibility are based on maps provided by the City of Yellowknife and all Yellowknife school boards will adhere to these guidelines.

Unfortunately, the bus system still does not have the capacity to service all interested riders, and may not at any time in the near future. We acknowledge the challenges associated with awaiting a decision and express gratitude for everyone's patience as we manage this situation.

Please help us recruit school bus drivers. If you or someone within your network is interested in supporting Yellowknife schools by becoming a school bus driver, please contact Nancy at Transdev at 867-873-4693 or send her an email at yellowknife@firstgroup.com to ask about driver training.

Thank you for your continued understanding and support.

Sincerely,

YK1, CSFTNO, YCS

Please note: There will be no increase in bus pass fees for the 2023/2024 school year. However, there will be an increase for the 2024/2025 school year.