



Date: 08/25/2011

To: Golden Valley Unified Parents/Guardians
From: Dave Baughman
Manager of Maintenance, Operations and Transportation

Re: Bus Route Changes

Effective Tuesday, September 6th, 2011 the Transportation Department will be implementing changes to the following bus routes:

Route 1 Webster Elementary School
Route 6 Rancho's / Liberty High School
Route 7 Rancho's / Liberty High School

The major changes will affect Route # 1 and # 6 with a few added stops to Route # 7.

Changes to these routes are due to the low number of students utilizing school provided transportation in the Rolling Hills/ Cobb Ranch and Children's Hospital areas. Currently we utilize two-90 passenger buses, one elementary and one high school to service the needs for 60 students in the above area. In efforts to maximize our busing capacity and operate more efficiently, Routes #1 and #6 will be combined.

The K-12 ridership on this bus is typically light in the morning with approximately 50-60 students. In the afternoon, we are anticipating the K-12 ridership on this bus to be 20-25 students due to an early drop off of elementary students prior to picking up the high school students. Additional safeguards will be implemented due to combining an elementary route with a high school route. The elementary students will be separated from the middle/high school students, behavior policies will be reinforced and additional staff will chaperone the routes to insure a smooth transition.

Included with this notice are copies of the revised bus schedules. You can also obtain a printable copy from GVUSD's web site or at your school site.

The Transportation Department is committed to provide safe reliable home to school transportation for the students of Golden Valley USD. Golden Valley will continue to provide the best learning environment for the students of this district, despite the fiscal challenges we are facing. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the changes to the bus routes please feel free to call me at #645-7521.