



Weld Re8 School District
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Weld Re-8 Community,

I want to thank you for your patience and pride throughout this past year's construction projects. It was community pride that allowed us to pass a bond to restore and construct educational facilities across our district that better reflect the incredible students, teachers and administrators we have. But I'm thankful for your patience throughout the process as well. Change is never easy – even good change.

As many of you know, we have had student transportation challenges this year. Currently, the number of students desiring district busing to and from our schools is exceeding our ability to provide transportation. Our district policy – JFBA/JFBB – regarding the transportation of in district choice and out of district open enrolled students has allowed us to extend busing services to students who are choice enrolled up until now. The policy, attached below, states that we can offer busing services to these students if it doesn't disrupt our regular routes, if space is available and students requiring transportation through a federally mandated program required by law are being provided for.

Up until this school year, we have been able to serve choice enrolled students without disruption of regular routes and we have had enough space to provide for students desiring transportation to their boundary school. Coming into this school year, we did not project any changes to these services. However, in approving students for the same number of regular routes as last year, we have been unable to provide transportation to all the students who require transportation to their boundary school this year.

In cooperation with the Board of Education, and after several conversations in Board of Education meetings where we heard from members of the community regarding this issue, we have made the decision to only provide busing services to students being transported to their boundary school for the upcoming 2019-2020 school year. While this change will not affect transportation this school year, we wanted to communicate the change early enough to allow students and parents affected to make alternate plans.

I apologize to the students and parents who have not received busing to their boundary school this year. Our commitment is to provide safe and reliable transportation in the future as we continue to provide quality education that prepares each student for their future.

If you have any further questions or concerns regarding transportation in the Weld Re-8 School District, please contact the district office or feel free to come and share your questions or comments at an upcoming Board of Education meeting. We value and want to hear from members of our community.

Nondiscrimination/Equal Opportunity Statement - In compliance with Titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008, Colorado law and Board of Education Policy AC (Nondiscrimination/Equal Opportunity), Weld Re-8 School District does not discriminate on the basis of disability, race, creed, color, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity/expression, national origin, religion, ancestry, need for special education services, age, marital status, genetic information, or physical characteristics in admissions, access to, treatment, or employment in educational programs or activities which it operates. Complaint procedures have been established for students, parents, employees and members of the public. The following person has been identified as the compliance officer for the district: Superintendent, Weld County School District Re-8: 200 South Fulton Avenue, Fort Lupton, CO 80621, 303.857.3200, superintendent@weld8.org.