Jr. Kindergarten Parent Fact Sheet

Riding the school bus is a new experience for some children. The bus is a very safe way for your child to travel to and from school.

Parents/guardians are responsible for their children before they step on the bus and once they get off the bus and are, therefore, encouraged to accompany their children to and from the bus.

School closings are communicated via Infinite Campus. All families are encouraged to activate their Infinite Campus Parent Portal access as soon as possible to ensure that important messages from the Somerset School District are able to be communicated effectively – school closings are only one of many types of messages that reach Somerset School District families via Infinite Campus.

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- o Contact Michelle at transportation@somerset.k12.wi.us or 715-247-3313, Ext. 507
- Changes to bus transportation can take TWO OR MORE DAYS to complete
 - An email will be sent confirming the details, if a current email is available
 - Infinite Campus will show the details when the change has been completed
 - Last-minute/same-day changes are reserved for emergency situations only
 - Parents are responsible for alternate arrangements, if necessary

Bus information is communicated via <u>Infinite Campus Parent Portal</u>

- The elementary school office secretary can help set up a username and password
- Notification will be sent through an automated message when details are available
- o Details for how to find your information are on the transportation page of the website

School District students that live within the Village of Somerset walk to school

- <u>A map of the walking area</u> is available on the <u>transportation page</u>
- o Junior kindergarten students, regardless of address, are eligible to ride mid-day

Parents are encouraged to accompany their children to the bus stop

- Young children will not be allowed to exit the bus if an adult is not visible to driver
 - Attempts will be made to contact the parent/guardian if an adult is not visible
 - If no contact, student will be brought back to the <u>elementary</u> school office to wait for parent
- ➡ If a student will be staying home from school, communication is essential
 - o Contact the elementary school office at 715-247-3311, Ext. 600
 - o Contact Safe-Way Bus Company at 715-247-2090 if riding to school mid-day

Solution Once on the bus, students will remain on the bus until their designated stop