



### **Busing Reminder - Buses Could Be Running Late the First Week of School**

During the first few days of school the buses could be running late during AM and PM routes. There are a multitude of issues that cause this such as students not accustomed to their schedules, staff taking extra time to make sure students are getting on the right buses, parents wanting to video or take pictures of their child getting on the bus on the first day, etc.

These delays happen every year and are both expected and unavoidable. We will try to stick to our schedule as much as possible but we want you to be aware that there will be delays on the first few days. It is not at all unusual for that delay to be 15-20 minutes. Our first priority on those days is to assure that kids are getting on the right buses to come home. We appreciate your patience as we work to safely transport 4,000 kids daily.

### **Updated Busing Information**

Please take time to check your Campus Portal account again and review your students' busing information. We have received many requests for busing this past week and have updated several of our routes. It is very important that you take a look at this information at this time to verify if everything is correct. Thank you for your help in making sure that our students are ready for the start of the school year.

### **Free or Reduced Meal Information**

If your household may qualify for free or reduced priced meals, please [click here](#) to complete the free or reduced price meal application.

### **Volunteer Information**

Volunteers are an important part of the Prairie Community. If you would like to volunteer during the 22-23 school year (including participating in field trips), [our volunteer application](#) and approval must be done **2 business days** prior to your volunteer event (e.g. by Thursday at 4pm for Monday field trips). For the safety of our students, no one will be able to attend field trips or sign into school buildings until this approval is completed.

Contact your student's teacher or the Volunteer Coordinator ([alialldredge@crprairie.org](mailto:alialldredge@crprairie.org)) if you would like information about volunteer opportunities that fit your schedule and use your skills. Additional volunteer opportunities can be found [HERE](#).

## **District Equity Advisory Committee**

In order to further conversations about equity and student belonging in the greater school community, the College Community School District is forming a School Board-appointed District Equity Advisory Committee. As a School Board-appointed committee, meeting dates and minutes will be published.

The role of this committee is to advise the school District Board and Administration on School District-wide actions aimed at securing equitable access to programming, ensuring equitable policies and practices and securing our vision of Success for All through cultivating belonging for all learners and families. While this work, deeply embedded in our strategic plan, has been occurring for many years, we believe a special committee of representative stakeholders would be valuable to ensure greater input and responsiveness.

Our ongoing partnership with Hanover Research will assist this committee and the School District in this important work and will inform the content and work of this committee in the coming years.

**The committee will consist of 18-22 members, representing the following stakeholder groups:**

- Faculty/Staff
- Parents
- Students
- School Board Members
- Community Members
- Subject-Matter Experts
- Administrators

*\*CCSD defines a stakeholder as an individual with an interest or concern in the College Community School District that can either affect or be affected by the success of the School District.*

If you are interested in participating as a member of the District Equity Committee, please [click here](#) for detailed information.