



**Attention: All Parents/Students**

**Date January 14, 2022**

**Re: Full return of all Bus Routes**

With the full return of all bus routes, STOPR may encounter higher than normal absenteeism rates for bus drivers next week due to the COVID variant.

Parents, students and school communities need to be aware that it may be necessary to cancel bus runs on a temporary basis if we experience high rates of driver absenteeism.

The cancellation of a bus route is a last resort for STOPR. Therefore, it is important that parents, students, and school staff are monitoring the STOPR website daily and checking the “*Delayed Buses*” page to monitor the status of their buses.

We encourage all parents to go to the STOPR website and create an account and sign up to receive our automatic “transportation alerts” for their children’s busing. Click here to create an account:

<https://www.stopr.ca/inclement-weather/sign-up>. These alerts will include late bus route/run information, cancellation notifications as well as “anticipated return to service” dates.

It is also important to check your morning and afternoon transportation arrangements as some students travel to school in the morning on one bus route, and then travel home in the afternoon on a different bus route. Therefore your transportation may be cancelled in the morning but still is running in the afternoon or vice versa.

Please note that if a bus route is temporarily cancelled due to COVID, it will be cancelled for approximately 5 to 10 days.

Please continue to follow us on twitter @STOPRinfo and monitor our website for the most up to date transportation information and important updates.

These are unprecedented times, and we appreciate your continued patience and understanding.

Thank you

**STOPR Team**