

Monday, July 10, 2023

Dear Chester Upland School District Families,

I hope this letter finds you well and enjoying the summer break. As we prepare for the upcoming 2023/24 school year, I wanted to inform you of an important change that will affect our transportation services.

After careful consideration and evaluation, the Chester Upland School District has decided to switch bus transportation vendors, transitioning away from Philly Transportation, LLC.

Recently we have partnered with several bus companies that have demonstrated excellence in the transportation field. We have carefully selected these vendors based on their reputation for providing safe and reliable transportation services to students with various needs.

The decision to switch bus vendors was not taken lightly and was driven by our commitment to being fiscal responsibility, while prioritizing the transportation needs of the district. We have conducted a thorough assessment of our budget and concluded that this change is expected to result in cost savings for the district without sacrificing any of the services our students will need.

Our primary focus remains on ensuring that our students have access to dependable transportation. We understand that reliable transportation is crucial for our students' education. Rest assured, our administrators have confidence in these new bus companies and their ability to provide consistent, safe, and reliable transportation to school and other school-related activities.

If you have any questions or would like further information regarding transportation services, please contact Mr. Garcia Garnett, our Transportation Coordinator, at <u>GGarnett@chesteruplandsd.org</u> or call (215) 292-7680.

We appreciate your understanding and support during this transition.

Sincerely,

Dr. Craig L. Parkinson - Superintendent of Schools