

Kimberly School Transportation

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Darla Wadsworth, Director

Dear School Board,

January 13, 2020

The Transportation Department is currently shouldering the busiest time of the year. Ski trips are frequent, adding to the already busy sports schedule. This week we start the after-school programs which adds two more late afternoon routes. Fortunately, we are well staffed with skilled and dependable drivers.

Cold weather always brings challenges to Transportation. Routes are a little slower, and times may vary depending on the road conditions. Driver's work hard to be safe and consistent. It seems frequently, in the last 3 weeks, we have had several buses with minor maintenance issues (such as a light going out) and have had to change out buses' midway through route. As these things come about, our procedure is to make an all-call to parents on that route and school secretaries, to inform them of any delay.

Our mechanic has done an outstanding job performing preventative maintenance by de-icing buses, clearing snow and walkways in the early morning, keeping batteries charged, making sure tires have winter tread, and keeping automatic chains performing. These are just a few of the services he provides, making the drivers' job more pleasant. Thanks for keeping our buses running in this opposing cold weather.

We look forward to getting the bus bids for our purposed new bus. It is exciting to see our bus fleet expand and streamline each year. This is central to the safety and efficiency of Transportation. It is notable that drivers and students alike appreciate their transportation experience with modernized buses.

Thanks again for making the Holiday Season special (for transportation and their families) through your support, generosity and gift of the KBOA certificates. We can't thank you enough for putting a little extra on the table this season!

Sincerely,

Darla Wadsworth
Director of Transportation
Kimberly School District

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