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THATCHER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 4 TRANSPORTATION WALK ZONE INCREASE

To whom it may concern;

After working through many factors over the last several months, which include but not limited to bus driver benefits, change of bus route alignments due to an increase in student population in areas of district boundaries, an alternative route time for some bus routes of JDPS/TES students, etc., it was our recommendation to the Governing Board on October 12, 2023 to expand the Jack Daley Primary School/Thatcher Elementary School walk zone to 1.5 miles.

Furthermore, the Governing Board was presented information in a public meeting September 14, 2023, with our final recommendation of change at October's Governing Board Meeting. Starting November 6, 2023, the following routes will be changed to increase the walk zone for Jack Daley Primary School/Thatcher Elementary School students to 1.5 miles.

- Routes and Stops affected:
 - o All of SKY BLUE bus route
 - o All of PINK bus route
 - o PURPLE bus route Michaud Lane
 - LIGHT GREEN bus route Palmer Ln (4631 Palmer Ln. and Powerhouse Ln.), Reay Ln and Cotton Valley Rd, and Reay Ln and Fire hydrant stop.
- Services to the Gila Apartments will continue. These students will now ride the PURPLE bus route.
- Any students from the SKY BLUE, 8th and 4th avenue stop, who may need transportation services are welcome to ride the BLUE bus route with their new stop being Westridge Dr.
- Michaud Lane will continue to ride the PURPLE bus route.
- Due to the LIGHT GREEN bus route- Reay Lane and Fire hydrant stop, being on the border of the 1.5 mile walk zone, we will continue services to this stop.

For students needing transportation at the Gila Apartments or students who will be utilizing the Westridge Dr. stop these are their new pick up and drop off times:

- Westridge Dr. pick up 6:52 am for MS/HS and 7:15 am for P/E. Drop off: 2:30 pm and 3:22 pm for MSHS.
- Gila Apartments. pick up 6:42 am for MS/HS and 7:35 am for P/E. Drop off 2:22 pm for P/E and 3:20 pm MS/HS.

We are also making a change to the bus route names as well- EAGLE GREEN/YELLOW bus route will now be the YELLOW bus route.

Preschool students will not be impacted by this change to the walk zone, transportation services for those students will continue as normal.

If you have questions or concerns, please reach out for clarification.

Regards,

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