

Renfrew County Joint Transportation Consortium



A MESSAGE TO PARENTS AND PUPILS FROM THE RENFREW COUNTY JOINT TRANSPORTATION CONSORTIUM REGARDING COMMUNICATION PROCEDURES FOR TRANSPORTATION CANCELLATIONS / BREAKDOWNS / DELAYS DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR.

Dear Parents / Pupils:

1. **CHECK THE INTERNET**
Transportation information and school bus notifications will be posted at www.rcjtc.on.ca where you will see any bus cancellations and/or delays. Notification updates are instantaneous effectively from 6:00am on.
2. **LISTEN TO AREA RADIO STATIONS**
All information regarding Transportation status will be broadcasted on radio stations for those that do not have internet. This information is obtained from our web site, therefore providing local transportation information for all of Renfrew County. Transportation information will usually start broadcasting at approximately 6: 10 a.m. and repeat every 10 or 15 minutes until approximately 8:30 a.m.
3. **SCHOOL BUS CANCELLATIONS ARE FOR THE DAY**
When transportation is cancelled in the morning, it is cancelled for the whole day. If you choose to bring your child/children to school, you will be responsible for their return home after school.
4. **PARENTS HAVE THE FIRST RESPONSIBILITY**
As parents, you have the first responsibility to decide whether or not it is safe and reasonable to send your child/children out to the "stop", or to school, on days of extreme conditions. Check the internet, listen to the radio and check the weather conditions outside firsthand. Make the safest choice for your child.
5. **KNOW YOUR CHILD'S TRANSPORTATION PROVIDER AND ROUTE NUMBER**
You need to know your child's/children's Transportation Provider and Route Number in order to properly identify the status of your child's/children's transportation service when you see it on the web or hear it on the radio station. This information is available from the school and/or from the Renfrew County Joint Transportation Consortium.
6. **DO NOT CALL THE RADIO STATION, SCHOOL BUS COMPANY, SCHOOLS OR BOARDS**
Do not make unnecessary phone calls and tie up the phone lines during emergencies. All the information you will need to know to make a safe decision will be posted at www.rcjtc.on.ca or broadcasted on your area radio station. Do not call the radio station or school bus company for your child's/children's school bus information.

WE ARE DEEPLY COMMITTED TO THE SAFETY OF YOUR CHILDREN AND COUNTING ON YOUR COOPERATION AND SUPPORT TO ENSURE THE WELL-BEING OF YOUR CHILDREN DURING THESE SITUATIONS.

.....the journey of a thousand miles begins with one step