

Transportation Department gives rules

Welcome Back from your Transportation Department!

We are excited to provide transportation services to our school district! This year, like other areas of the system, we have had some changes. I know many of you may have questions about buses and routes, and hopefully many of them will be answered for you.

Students in grades kindergarten through 6th (elementary and middle) will ride the bus together, while grades 7 through 12 will ride together. We ask that you be patient with our drivers during the first couple of weeks of school. It would be helpful if you would help your child learn their bus number and driver name before school begins. To obtain this information, visit the transportation table at your child's Open House. We will have approximate pick-up and drop-off times as well.

Again, during the first few weeks of school, please be patient with our drivers. Our goal is to deliver students safely to school and return them home safely to you in the afternoon. We are always in search of great bus drivers! If you are looking for a fulfilling opportunity to help mold our children, please call the transportation department at 706-253-1727.

What we want Parents to know

As parents of our students, we want you to know three things about our transportation rules:

- 1) Your child may only get on the bus at their assigned stop. Students need to be at their stop 5 minutes prior to pick up times. If they miss the bus, you will need to transport to school. They may not catch the bus at the next stop;
- 2) Discuss the Bus Safety section of the Pickens County School District Student-Parent Handbook & Code of Conduct for Students; and
- 3) Many students are allergic to certain foods and cologne/perfume smells. We ask that these items be avoided on the bus.

What we want our Students to know

It will be a great year on the school bus! We are excited that you will be with us. Here are some things to keep in mind each time you ride:

- 1) The same rules apply on the bus as they do at school. Riding the bus is just an extension of the building. You should use an inside voice, electronics must have headphones/ear buds, and carry no object larger than 18x24;
- 2) Drivers will give assigned seats. Please find your seat quickly and remain seated back-to-back and bottom-to-bottom; and,
- 3) Arrive at the bus stop 5 minutes before your scheduled stop and make sure all of your personal items are inside your backpack.

Final Thoughts

We look forward to a great year! Help us in working together to provide the safest possible ride to and from school. Your children are our precious cargo!



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Cash Scholarships offered by Pickens historical society

The Pickens Historical Society, administrator of the yearly **Honea Worley Family Scholarship**, would like to invite all local high school seniors to apply for two cash scholarships that will be awarded in May of 2020.

- Two scholarships are given each year.
- Students do not have to be college-bound.
- Applicants submit a four-generation family history. They may start with one of his/her parents or a resident of Pickens County who was born before 1960. The history must work back to include the subject's parents, grandparents and great-grandparents.
- More than just names, dates and places, the history should include a story of the people. In other words this will be a complete history or genealogy and description of their family, similar to a term paper. Family photos are encouraged.
- Documentation is required.
- Help can be obtained in the Georgia Room at the Pickens County Library.
- The deadline for entries in May 15, 2020. Family History entries will be accepted beginning April 2020.
- Judging is done by a panel from the Pickens Historical Society.
- For details or questions contact Historical Society member Maria Boling at 770-355-6537 or mariaboling911@yahoo.com or pickenshistorical@gmail.com.

Old Jail Tours for Students and Teachers

The historical society invites all students and teachers to visit the Old Jail on Main Street for tours. We are generally open on Saturday mornings and during all special events downtown.

Special tours at other times can be arranged to accommodate class field trips.



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