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Dear parents or guardian,

The safety of our students is a top priority in our schools, on our playgrounds, and on our buses. To enhance safety for some of our youngest bus riders, in addition to meeting the bus at the bus stop, parents or guardians of kindergarten and first grade students will be asked to meet their student at the bus door and ask for their student by name. Siblings that are fourth grade or older may still accompany kindergartners and first graders home instead of a parent or guardian.

This change will help to ensure an orderly exit from the bus and will help the bus driver confirm that the kindergarten or first grade student has been passed hand-to-hand to their parent or guardian per district transportation policy.

Thank you for your understanding and for helping us keep our Eagles safe!

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