

Greater Muskegon Catholic Schools

Bus Registration Summary

April 2008

Dear Parent or Guardian:

Included within is the GMCS Consolidated Bussing – Bus Registration Form. Consistent with prior years, **a form will be needed for each child using our consolidated bus system for the next school year.** The bus billings will be billed separately at the beginning of the school year, and the school will still allow parents to pay this fee over a period of time.

The rate schedule for bus fees for 08/09 year is noted below. There is a multi-child discount included in the fee schedule:

COST OF RIDERSHIP

BOTH WAYS (Annual Rate)		ONE WAY (Annual Rate)	
1st Child	\$700.00	1st Child	\$400.00
2nd Child	\$350.00 (added)	2nd Child	\$225.00 (added)
3rd Child	\$150.00 (added)	3rd Child	\$ 90.00 (added)

Others are at no additional cost.

Consistent with prior years, and in an effort to improve efficiencies in our transportation process, **we will be reviewing opportunities for consolidation of our bus pick up and drop off points.** This may mean some students may have to go to a bus stop. The overall goal is to provide all transportation services in a safe and efficient manner for all. More information on this process will occur as bus routes are set for next year.

In addition, we realize that some families living in the Muskegon or Mona Shores Public School Districts may qualify for free bussing. **This determination is made annually by the public school district.** If a family qualifies for free bussing and has begun to pay for it, then an adjustment will be made to those families' accounts. The adjustment will be based on discussions between the family and the business office as to reducing other payments going forward or refunding amounts paid. We have included a bus registration form in this packet for our students who are eligible for Mona Shores bussing.

In an effort to help ensure a smooth process of transportation coordination for the 08/09 school year we are **noting the following timetable** for returning bus registration forms:

For new and returning families
Bus registration forms must be in by:

Friday, July 18, 2008

For any family turning in bus registration forms later than the date noted above, there may be a one-week delay in adding your student(s) to the transportation routes.

Questions? Please contact the Business Office@ (231) 755-1980, Ext. 340