



## LITTLE DUTCH ACADEMY AT THE VIERSEN EARLY LEARNING CENTER

### Transportation for 4 Year Old Preschool Students

Before/After School Transportation

Free

Mid-Day Transportation

\$200/semester

#### **Before / After School Transportation**

The before AM preschool and after PM preschool transportation will be our current Pella Community School District bus routes and will be at no cost to parents. Currently, our bus routes are for all 4 Year Old Preschool-12th grade students.

#### **Mid-Day Transportation**

The Mid-Day Transportation is a service available to students enrolled in our 4-year-old preschool program. Cost is \$200 per semester. Mid-Day Transportation for AM preschoolers means that the student would be transported from AM Preschool to a home or alternate address afterward. Mid-Day Transportation for PM preschoolers means that the student would be picked up from a home or alternate address and transported to PM preschool. No discount for partial service. All transportation services can operate only within the boundaries of the Pella Community School District.

#### **Transportation Available for 4 Year Old Preschool Students Only**

Before/After and Mid-Day Transportation is available for students part of the 4 Year Old Preschool Program only. All students part of the 3 Year Old Preschool program are not eligible for school transportation unless it is indicated on their IEP.

#### **Price is Per Child**

If two or more children are being picked up from the same address, each child will be charged the mid-day transportation rate.

#### **Mid-Day Transportation Changes**

Please notify Little Dutch Academy or the Bus Barn by 10:00 am if your child does not need transportation for the day.

- Little Dutch Academy: 641-628-1944 or [littledutchoffice@pellaschools.org](mailto:littledutchoffice@pellaschools.org)
- Bus Barn: 641-628-3486

## **Set Schedule**

No more than 2 addresses are allowed per student. Once a transportation schedule is set for the student, we will not be able to vary from that schedule.

- Example of a set schedule: Monday and Tuesday the child will go to daycare, but Thursday and Friday he/she will go home. If one week you would need the child to go to daycare on Thursday instead of home, this would be the parent/guardian's responsibility to transport the child since it is not the set Thursday transportation.

## **Pella School District Limits**

Bussing is within the Pella School District limits only. All preschool students who live outside of the Pella school district do not qualify for our transportation services unless they can arrange for drop off/pick up within the Pella School District.

## **Cancellations**

You can cancel the mid-day transportation service at any time, but please note there are no refunds.

## **Drop Off**

An adult must be able to meet the child at the door of the bus/van for drop off. The child will not be let off the bus/van without knowing an adult is present at the drop off location. If there is no adult present the child will be taken back to school where they must be picked up by a parent/guardian. If this happens more than 3 times, your child may no longer be able to use mid-day transportation and there will be no refund.

## **Pick Up**

An adult must be able to walk the child to the bus/van for pick up. If the bus/van is waiting, the driver will attempt to communicate with two honks. If you know your child will not need a ride, please contact the bus barn or driver by calling (641) 628-3486.

## **Payments**

Fees for this service will not be issued until August 31st, of the 1st Semester. A second payment will be issued in January for the 2nd Semester. Payments will be accepted online through your Infinite Campus Parent Portal account. Once the payment has been issued to your child's account, an email will be sent to you.

## **Sign-Up**

A sign up sheet will be sent to all families in August. To set routes for the school year, all interested parties should sign up as soon as possible, and before the deadline indicated on the sign-up.

## **Communication**

Our Transportation Director, Harlan DenAdel ([harlan.denadel@pellaschools.org](mailto:harlan.denadel@pellaschools.org)), will be able to provide the details on all bus/van routes. This information will be communicated to parents via email.

\*We reserve the right to make changes to this service as needed to best serve our students/district.

