



Frederick County Public Schools

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FOR: Windsor Knolls Middle School Students

SUBJECT: WKMS Non-Transported Areas

Dear students:

The beginning of the 2006/2007 school year will see a change in school bus service for students living in the Windsor Knolls, Loch Haven, and Green Hills subdivisions. Frederick County Public Schools' policy for a non-transported area for middle school bus service is anyone living within a 1½-mile radius of the school and within a 1¼ mile walking distance of the school. Additionally, an adequate walking path must exist for us to implement the requirement. This information can be found in the Transportation Section of the FCPS Calendar Handbook. A recent change by the Board of Education reduced the walking distance from 2 miles to 1¼ miles. The assignment of a school crossing guard by the Frederick County Sheriff's Department at the school crosswalk on Windsor Road ensures that an adequate walking path exists all the way to the school.

In an effort to minimize confusion regarding school bus transportation within the Windsor Knolls Middle School district for the 2006/07 school year we prepared the enclosed map for students to review. The yellow area on the map is the non-transported sections of the community. Students living in these sections will walk to school. The adequate walking path leads all students onto Knolls Parkway to Winmoor Drive and crossing Windsor Road at the crosswalk. The crosswalk is the only area identified for school students to cross Windsor Road. Walking along the side of Windsor Road has not been deemed an adequate walking path. Students are not to walk along Windsor Road to access the school nor to walk to school bus stops serving students who live on Windsor Road.

Our goal is safety for all students and to adhere to FCPS policy. Questions concerning the implementation of this plan can be directed to me at 301-644-5365.

Sincerely,

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