



SCHOOLPASS

LMS & HS:

GDS Bus Enrollment and Changes -

Use SchoolPass to register for GDS Buses and make changes to your child's daily travel routines. GDS bus registration opens **August 5, 2019**.

LMS ONLY:

Reduced Time Managing Dismissal Changes -

When families use SchoolPass to share changes to students' daily routines, that information is automatically shared with appropriate staff and faculty. Don't forget to set your arrival and departure defaults through SchoolPass.

Faster Afternoon Carlines -

100% participation results in faster carlines. Families share license plate information with GDS. SchoolPass then recognizes the car and carpool and alerts faculty to whose rides have arrived so that we may more quickly help children into cars during afternoon carline.

A Safer Campus -

The school is alerted immediately to any unknown-to-GDS or non-approved vehicle on campus. This adds an additional level of security for the students, faculty, and staff.



HAVE QUESTIONS?

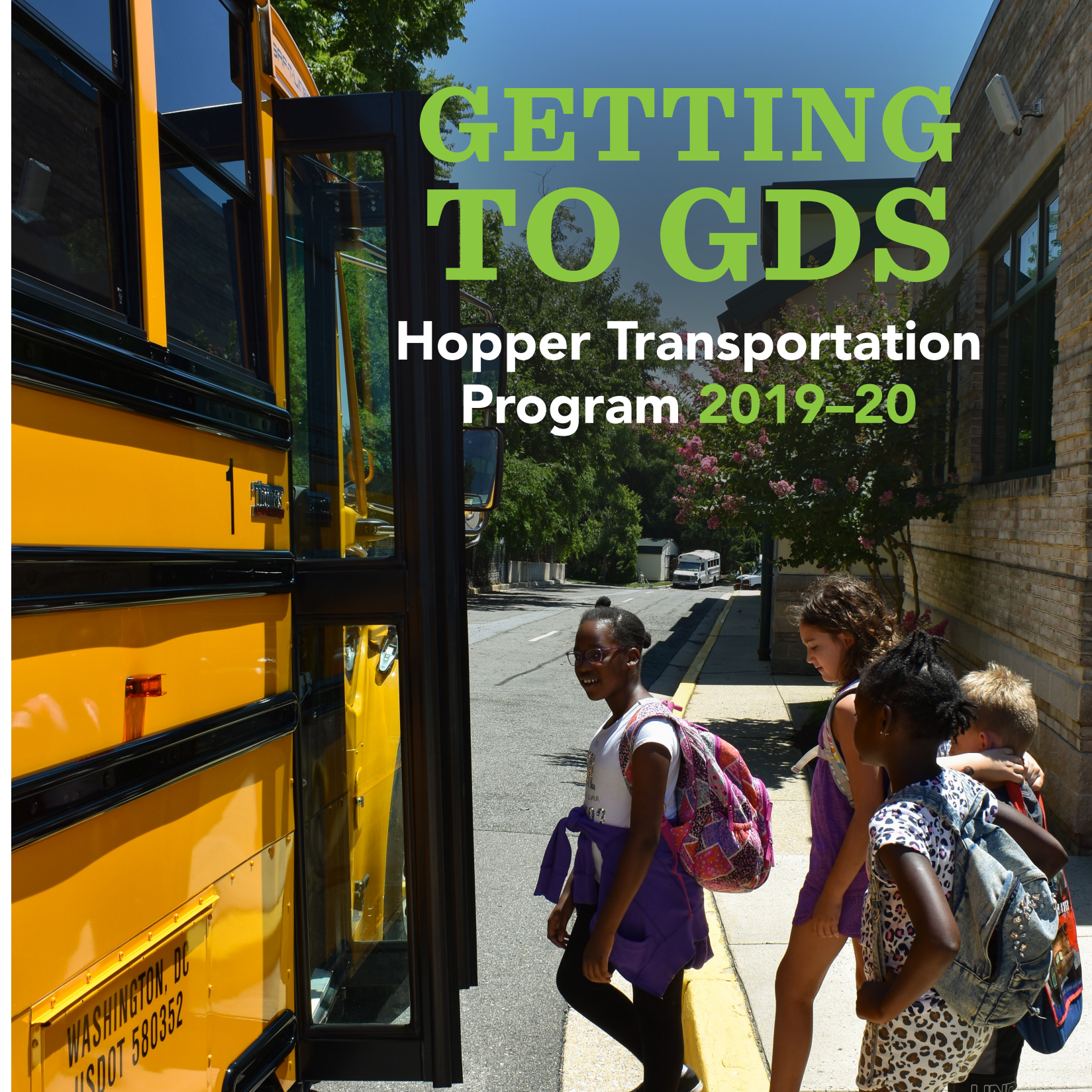
Contact us at improvemycommute@gds.org for questions or comments.

Visit the GDS website and MyGDS Parent Resource board for up-to-date transportation news and information.

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GETTING TO GDS

Hopper Transportation Program 2019-20



Georgetown Day School offers a variety of transportation options for all its students to help our busy families around the Washington, DC metropolitan area navigate to and between two distinct campuses.

The 2019-20 school year will bring some exciting changes to the Hopper Transportation Program as we prepare for school and campus unification in 2020-21. Check out an overview of next year's transportation offerings for your review on the following pages. Important transportation news and updated information can also be found on our GDS website and MyGDS Parent Resource pages.



Email: improvemycommute@gds.org



GDS BUSES

Bus registration opens August 5, 2019 via SchoolPass – gds.school-pass.net. Don't forget to set your arrival and departure defaults through SchoolPass. Check out GDS bus policies online at www.gds.org/transportation.



*With adequate usage.

A.M. BUSES					
ROUTE	STOP #	LOCATION	ADDRESS	SPECIFIC PICK UP LOCATION	EST. PICK-UP TIME
Hopper Express	1	HS	4200 Davenport St., NW, Washington, DC 20016	In Front of Main Doors	7:30 am
	2	LMS	4530 MacArthur Blvd NW; Washington, DC 20007	Lower Lot	7:45 am
Takoma - DC	1	Takoma Metro	327 Cedar St., NW, Washington, DC 20012	Kiss and Ride	6:55 am
	2	Carter Barron	4850 Colorado Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20011	Parking Lot by Tennis Center	7:15 am
	3	Guy Mason Park	3600 Calvert St., NW, Washington, DC 20007	Parking Lot	7:35 am
	4	LMS	4530 MacArthur Blvd NW; Washington, DC 20007	Lower Lot	7:50 am
Bethesda	1	Glen Echo	5900 Oxford Rd., Glen Echo, MD 20812	Clara Barton/Glen Echo Visitor Parking Lot	7:10 am
	2	Walhonding Rd at Sangamore	Near 5920 Massachusetts Ave., Bethesda, MD 20816	Street Pick Up Behind Glen Echo Fire Department	7:17 am
	3	Bethesda Pool	6300 Hillandale Rd., Bethesda, MD 20815	Parking Lot	7:30 am
	4	LMS	4530 MacArthur Blvd NW; Washington, DC 20007	Lower Lot	7:50 am
Virginia + High School Express	1	Linway Terrace Park	6246 Linway Terrace, McLean, VA 22101	Parking Lot	7:10 am
	2	Fort Ethan Allen Park	3829 N Stafford St., Arlington, VA 22207	Parking Lot	7:18 am
	3A	LMS	4530 MacArthur Blvd., NW; Washington, DC 20007	Lower Lot; Drop Off	7:35 am
	3B	LMS	4530 MacArthur Blvd NW; Washington, DC 20007	Lower Lot; Pick Up	7:35am
	4	HS	4200 Davenport St. NW; Washington, DC 20016	Lower Lot	7:55 am
South-east	1	East Washington Heights Baptist Church	2220 Branch Ave., SE, Washington, DC 20020	Parking Lot	7:05 am
	2	Eastern Market	225 7th St., SE, Washington, DC 20003	7th Street, in front of the market	7:20 am
	3	LMS	4530 MacArthur Blvd NW; Washington, DC 20007	Lower Lot	7:45 am
Central Prince George's Route + Shaw	1	Largo Town Center Metro	9000 Lottsford Rd., Upper Marlboro, MD 20774	Kiss and Ride	6:30 am
	2	Aldi Shopping Center at 202 & Route 50	6510 Landover Rd., Cheverly, MD 20785	Opposite Ledo Pizza	6:47 am
	3	BP at Florida and Rhode Island	306 Rhode Island Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20001	Parents should park in the lot. This will be a street pick up.	7:20 am
	5	LMS	4530 MacArthur Blvd NW; Washington, DC 20007	Lower Lot	7:50 am

P.M. BUSES							
ROUTE	STOP #	SPECIFIC PICK UP LOCATION	ADDRESS	EST. PICKUP TIME	DESTINATION	SPECIFIC DROP OFF LOCATION	EST. DROP-OFF TIME
Hop2It	1	LMS	4530 MacArthur Blvd NW; Washington, DC 20007	3:40pm (2:40pm on Wed.)	Bethesda Pool	6300 Hillandale Rd., Bethesda, MD 20815	4pm (3pm on Wed.)



PUBLIC TRANSIT

DC Students - Kids Ride Free Cards

Students living within the District are eligible for WMATAs Kids Ride Free (KRF) cards, which allow students to ride for free on Metrobus, the DC Circulator, and Metrorail within the District to get to school and school-related activities.

To get a KRF card, families should reach out to divisional assistants, Derek Brunn (HS) or Vida Rivera (MS and LS) for a KRF Application starting August 26. There are no longer scheduled distribution events in and around DC. Instead cards will be directly sent to GDS and distributed accordingly. Please reach out to the Divisional Assistants to obtain an application and for more information on how/when to collect the KRF card.

Please note that there may be a delay for processing of around 2 weeks. Specific private school documentation is needed.

Details are online at <https://ddot.dc.gov/page/school-transit-subsidy-program>.

MD and VA Students – Transit Subsidies

GDS provides subsidized SmarTrip cards to students residing in Maryland and Virginia. To request your subsidized SmarTrip card:

- Reach out to divisional assistants, Derek Brunn (HS) or Vida Rivera (MS and LS) for a SmarTrip card.
- Within 2 weeks of the request, Derek or Vida will provide each student with a \$100 SmarTrip card.
- At most once per month, as students need additional funds, the student or family should reach out to Derek or Vida to add funds to the card. Please allow at least a 2 school-day turnaround.
- Families will be billed \$25 monthly or each time the card is initiated or renewed. Families on financial aid may request these cards for free.
- Lost cards will be charged a \$5 replacement fee.
- Transit subsidies are available when school is in session only.

GDS will be offering Safety Training classes in the Fall for all students taking public transportation. Stay tuned to your inbox for important transportation and registration information.



BICYCLE

GDS is dedicated to being a bike-friendly destination for students who choose to bike to campus.

- Bike racks are available at both Lower/Middle School and High School.
- A new bike repair station will be installed at the high school this fall.
- Bicycle safety training courses coming this fall – stay tuned!

Indicate that your child will be walking/biking by selecting this as your arrival/dismissal default in SchoolPass at gds.school-pass.net.



WALKING

GDS is committed to increasing the number of students walking to school safely.

- Walking group meet & greets coming this fall – stay tuned!
- Safety training classes in the fall for all students walking to school.

Research shows that walking to school can both improve student health by cultivating early physical activity habits and reduce driving and traffic congestion around schools, leading to better air quality and improving academic performance, self-confidence, and independence among children.

Indicate that your child will be walking/biking by selecting this as your arrival/dismissal default in SchoolPass at gds.school-pass.net.



CARPOOL

Do you want to lighten your burden of driving your student to school and activities daily? Joining a carpool can be a great way to reduce the amount of time you spend driving, while sharing the costs of fuel with others. There are also other advantages like decreasing traffic in school parking lots and providing extra social time for children.

GDS will be offering personalized carpool matching including scheduled meet and greets in your community this fall.

Busy trying to coordinate after-school activities and transportation? Don't worry! GDS has created an online forum to help families navigate changing schedules. Sign-up information is available on the GDS website and MyGDS Parent Resource pages. Don't forget to set-up your profile and start connecting with other families!

Register at the LMS your carpool and approved drivers through SchoolPass at gds.school-pass.net. Coming to the HS in 2020-21!