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Good evening,

I trust you and your children are excited for the first day of school tomorrow, August 18, 2022. The purpose of this communication is to provide a transportation update.

Our transportation supervisor had to have emergency surgery and is out until August 26.

All of our routes were in order prior to her going out. However, since this past Monday (August 15), we have had more than 400 change requests in transportation. You read that right -- more than 400 change requests since Monday. Those changes could have been different pickup or drop off points, people who no longer needed transportation, or those who now need transportation.

We are doing our best to get all of those changes into our system and will be working late into the night to try and make those accommodations. I am relatively certain, however, we are going to have some hiccups tomorrow and Friday. If your child rode a bus last year, you can anticipate that they will more than likely be riding the same bus and the pickup / drop off will be roughly the same as last year.

Additionally, all phone calls that go to our transportation office are being routed to our office managers at Louise Peacock. They will be polite and will take all of your concerns; know that they may not be able to answer all of your questions. All of our drivers will be doing their routes tomorrow; no transportation employees will be able to answer calls as they will all be driving a bus.

So, what I'm asking more than anything else is for your patience. Patience in the morning when we pick up. Patience in the afternoon when we drop off. Our primary concern is student safety and making sure we have all students on the correct bus to get them to and from school safely.

Respectfully,

Superintendent John Fattal