

School Bus Registration

For students eligible for transportation according to the distance criteria outlined below, the **completion of a school bus Opt-In Form is required**:

- Junior and Senior Kindergarten aged students residing more than 1.2 kms from the school site
- Elementary aged students residing more than 1.6 kms from the school site
- Secondary aged students residing more than 3.2 kms from the school site

Hamilton-Wentworth Student Transportation Services (HWSTS) will arrange home-to-school transportation based on the student's primary address registered with the school board and to their board-designated school. Each student may only have one primary address, which must be transportation eligible as determined in the HWSTS software.

Families remain responsible for transportation arrangements beyond the scope of the service model provided by HWSTS.

How to Register for the School Bus

Complete the **Annual Opt-In Form** linked below. One registration form for each student residing at the same home address must be completed. Students starting Junior Kindergarten in the 2024-25 school year will be automatically assigned as they do not have an Ontario Education Number (OEN).

[Click here to access the HWSTS Annual Opt-In Form.](#)

If a student is eligible for transportation, but you do not intend to use the bus, please complete the **Opt-Out Form** linked below. This form notifies HWSTS of your decision to decline transportation and allows us to optimize the available transportation services.

[Click here to access the HWSTS Opt-Out Form.](#)

The deadline to complete your registration (opting in OR opting out) is June 14, 2024. This date serves the following purposes:

- Ensuring that bus routes are prepared and transportation information is posted online before the start of the new school year;
- Minimizing the need for adjustments to bus routes once the school year has commenced.

If you have any questions, please contact HWSTS at hwsts_transportation@hwcdsb.ca