



URSULINE ACADEMY
BUS TRANSPORTATION 2019-2020

August 2019

Dear Ursuline families,

As the new school year quickly approaches, we understand the importance of scheduling transportation for your daughter. We thank you for your patience as we have finalized schedules, and are pleased to again offer transportation service for our students through partnerships with Catholic Memorial (CM) and Xaverian Brothers (XB).

The bus transportation information sheet provides bus stops and bus times. Please note that bus times are subject to change, and that the number of route offerings and stops are based on ridership. They may be adjusted or omitted based on registration numbers. Bus seating is limited, and bus assignments are on a first-come, first-served basis. **Bus service starts the first full day of school (Wednesday, September 4)** and runs on all class days unless otherwise noted. In cases of inclement weather, you will be notified about changes in the bus schedule. Sign-up is completed through an online Google Form. The deadline for registration is Friday, August 30. Payment (by check made payable to Ursuline Academy) should be sent to:

Ursuline Academy Business Office
85 Lowder Street
Dedham, MA 02026

You may also drop a check off at the main office.

All regulations, including uniform standards, stated in the respective school's Student/Parent Handbook are enforceable while students are on a bus. Students violating these rules will be disciplined by their respective school. Video cameras are in operation on the buses, and the bus driver may recommend students for dismissal from the transportation system. Refunds for dismissed students will not be given.

Students may disembark from the bus at any regular stop at the student's own discretion. In the morning, bus drivers will not wait for students past the scheduled departure time.

For any questions regarding Ursuline Academy transportation, please email Transportation@UrsulineAcademy.net. For all bus schedule inquiries before or after school hours, please call Local Motion directly at 781-535-6344, and choose option #2 for the dispatcher (CM busses). Call First Student at (781) 961-3824 if your daughter is riding the XB Route 5, and call Local Motion at 617-558-5454 for Route 4.

Additional Information:

UA/CM Travel: Travel between only Ursuline Academy and Catholic Memorial is available. Students may take any morning bus leaving CM to UA. In the afternoon, Bus #1 leaves UA at 4:50 PM and stops first at CM.

Commuter Rail: Morning service from Dedham Corporate Center Commuter Rail Station in Dedham to Ursuline Academy is provided by Ursuline Academy using a school van. The van will arrive at Dedham Corporate Center at 6:50 AM for the 7:02 AM train #741 from South Station. Pick up will be on Rustcraft Road Platform Entrance.

Costs:

- Annual Round Trip Bus Pass: \$1,600 (\$10/day) \$950 is due with application. A \$650 balance will be invoiced through FACTS and due in December.
- Annual One Way Bus Pass: \$950 (\$5.94/day) due with application
- Annual Round Trip UA/CM Shuttle Pass: \$800 (\$5/day) due with application
- Annual One Way UA/CM Shuttle Pass/Dedham Corporate Van: \$475 (\$2.97/day) due with application

Refunds: Refund requests will be honored through October 1, 2019. Refunds will be reduced by the single-ride rate (below) for each bus day (round trip would be two rides per day) through the day the Academy receives the email cancellation request.

Single-Ride Rate (not available for XB busses): Parents must preauthorize their daughter(s) to use the CM/UA Bus Transportation service via an email to Transportation@UrsulineAcademy.net. Students may use the transportation service on a periodic basis if space is available. Space is not guaranteed. For morning single-rider use, parents must request authorization before noon on the school day preceding the desired ride via email to Transportation@UrsulineAcademy.net. The authorization will be emailed before 2:30 PM. If no email is received, families should contact the school office before 3 PM at 781-493-7718. The cost is \$10 for each ride (\$5 for single rides to/from CM). Single-ride tickets are available for purchase at the School Office from 7:30 AM to 3:00 PM.

CM busses run regardless of the CM schedule. Riders on the XB busses: please note the following dates when the busses run at an alternate time, or do not run. You must make your own transportation arrangements for these days:

KEY DATES FOR XB



- Early Dismissal
 - Wednesday, September 4: **BUSSES LEAVE @ 2:30**
 - Thursday, September 5: **BUSSES LEAVE @ 2:30**
 - Friday, September 6: **BUSSES LEAVE @ 2:30**
 - Wednesday, October 16: **BUSSES LEAVE @ 2:30** (PSAT Test/ Grade 9 Grandparents Day/ Grade 7 Hale Reservation)
 - Thursday, November 21: **BUSSES LEAVE @ 12:50** (Parent/Teacher Conferences)
 - Monday, November 25: **BUSSES LEAVE @ 12:50** (Parent/Teacher Conferences)
 - Tuesday, December 3: **BUSSES LEAVE @ 12:30 PM** (Founders Day)
 - Friday, December 20: **BUSSES LEAVE @ 12:15 PM** (Last Day Before Christmas Break)
 - Monday, March 5: **BUSSES LEAVE @ 12:50** (Parent/Teacher Conferences)
 - Wednesday, April 1: **BUSSES LEAVE @ 1:25** (Faculty Meetings)
 - June 1, and June 3, and June 5: **BUSSES LEAVE @ 1:30 PM** (Final Exams)
- No School
 - Monday, October 14: **NO BUS SERVICE** (Columbus day)
 - Tuesday, October 15: **NO BUS SERVICE** (Faculty Retreat)
 - Friday, November 11: **NO BUS SERVICE** (Veterans Day)
 - November 27-29: **NO BUS SERVICE** (Thanksgiving)
 - Monday, December 23 – Friday, January 3: **NO BUS SERVICE** (Christmas Break)
 - Monday, January 20: **NO BUS SERVICE** (MLK Day)
 - Tuesday, January 21: **NO BUS SERVICE** (Professional Day)
 - February 17-21: **NO BUS SERVICE** (February Break)
 - Monday, April 13: **NO BUS SERVICE** (Easter Monday)
 - April 20-24: **NO BUS SERVICE** (April Break)
 - Monday, May 25: **NO BUS SERVICE** (Memorial Day)
 - Tuesday, June 2: **NO BUS SERVICE** (Final Exam Study Day)
 - Thursday, June 4: **NO BUS SERVICE** (Final Exam Study Day)