



LOWELL PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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MEMORANDUM

To: Dr. Hall, Chief Operating Officer
From: Kaitlin Sharry, Transportation Director
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Ref: School Transportation Update

“Request the superintendent to provide a percentage of students that ride the bus on a daily basis to each school and to include how many live within 1, 1.5, and a 2-mile range of the school.”

The motion requested how many students live 1, 1.5, and 2 miles from their home address to their respective school. With our current programs, we cannot provide that exact level of detail within a radius of each school, but we can provide this analogous information based on our address database:

- 1,441 elementary school students live within .75 miles of their school (not eligible for transportation)
- 1,846 middle school students live within 1.49 miles of school (not eligible for transportation)

Additionally, the total number of students that are eligible for school bus transportation does not necessarily mean that all students choose to utilize the bus. In many cases, students are driven to school by family or friends.

The chart on the attached page shows the number of students transported daily on regular education school buses. These numbers include both charter and parochial schools. Essentially forty-five percent of Lowell students are transported at least one way each day. The attached numbers do not reflect special education bus services.

SCHOOL	ENROLLMENT	REGULAR	SCHOOL
BAILEY	454	237	52%
BARTLETT	483	216	45%
BUTLER	514	184	36%
DALEY	690	260	38%
GREENHALGE	464	133	29%
LINCOLN	509	155	30%
MCAULIFFE	506	252	50%
MCAVINNUE	443	193	44%
MOODY	247	84	34%
MOREY	487	79	46%
MURKLAND	418	138	33%
PAWTUCKET	475	218	46%
PYNE ARTS	480	232	48%
REILLY	472	200	42%
ROBINSON	628	310	49%
ROGERS	910	528	58%
SHAUGHNESSY	474	179	38%
STOKLOSA	616	143	23%
SULLIVAN	648	515	79%
WANG	680	446	65%
WASHINGTON	246	67	27%
JACKSON CHARTER	830	534	64%
COLLEGIATE	963	664	69%
ST MICHAEL	148	13	9%
ST PATRICK	87	22	25%
IMMACULATE	303	59	19%
LOWELL CATHOLIC	372	30	8%
COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN	123	17	14%
TOTALS	13,670	6,108	