
FIELDS MEMORIAL SCHOOL

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Dear parents and guardians,

It is not my intent to alarm you unnecessarily, however we are hearing rumors of the potential for a bus strike either THIS Thursday or Friday. Clearly this presents all kinds of problems for the school and parents and guardians. We are hopeful that our bus company, First Student, will either be able to resolve the issues with their drivers, or to provide us with substitute drivers should there actually be a strike.

In case that is impossible, our alternate plan is for the school to remain open, and to serve those children who are able to attend. This is a VERY short term option, two to three days at most, but it should buy us some time to develop alternatives. We would remind you that no children should be allowed to walk to school, and if you plan to drive your child, that you be mindful the parking lot will be busier than usual. Any child who is not able to attend during the period we are open without transportation will not in any way be penalized for absenteeism. We have requested that teachers provide for any child who is not able to attend.

For those students who are attending NFA, we are working with the bus company to see if we can "piggy back" on some of their buses going to the Academy, and also to ensure that no students are penalized for absences.

As soon as we know anything for sure, or have any appropriate information to share, we will put it on the website.

Sincerely,

Mary Lou Bargnesi, Ph.D.
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