

January 2022

To: Bus Riders  
From: Tammy Oaks, Transportation Director  
Re: Hard Surface Safety Routes

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Winter is becoming a factor as we transport students to and from school. During these months, Iowa weather can be very uncooperative. More storms with snow and ice are inevitable in the next few months and will raise our level of concern for bus travel.

Knowing the Iowa winters can be very unpredictable, it may be wise to be prepared for gravel roads that could become difficult for travel. Last year the West Branch CSD utilized a system of safety routes for buses. Our transportation department has once again designed a series of safety routes to be utilized in these times.

We appreciate parents helping us out when gravel roads become dangerous for buses. There will be specific stops along these safety routes where parents can meet the buses. Buses will pause for several minutes at each stop to ensure parents can get their children to the designated stops.

**Bear Bus - Bob Cahill, driver:** will proceed on 290th St to Rochester, KOA and back

**Frog Bus - Wayne Mertens, driver:** will proceed to Cedar Valley, West Branch Village and back

**Giraffe Bus - Dave Rozinek, driver:** will proceed north on Baker to Morris, Bickford and Greenview

**Shark Bus - Robert Hoffman, driver:** will proceed to American Legion Rd, Wildwood and Herbert Hoover Hwy

**Elephant Bus - Jeff Arp, driver:** Will proceed to Downey and West Branch Village

**Rabbit Bus - Bambi Simpson, driver:** Route will run as normal

If you have any questions, please call Mrs. Tammy Oaks 319-643-5325 or 319-330-7084.

Thank you for your support!