2023-2024

To: Bus RidersFrom: Ta.m.my Oaks, Transportation DirectorRe: Hard Surface Routes for 2023-24 School Year

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

Knowing the lowa 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 road 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: Leave West Branch at 7:15 a.m./3:30 p.m. proceed on 290th St. to Rochester (7:30 a.m./3:50 p.m.), KOA (7:40 a.m./3:45 p.m.) and back

Frog Bus – Deb Lund (AM) & Jennifer Long (PM), drivers: Leave West Branch at 7:05 a.m./3:30 p.m. proceed to Cedar Valley (7:20 a.m./4:00 p.m.) and back, West Branch Village (regular times)

Giraffe Bus – Dave Rozinek, driver: Leave West Branch at 7:05 a.m./3:30 p.m., will proceed north on Baker to Morris and back (7:25 a.m./4:10 p.m.), Bickford and Greenview (regular times)

Shark Bus – Bob Hoffmann, driver: Will proceed to American Legion Rd, Wildwood and Herbert Hoover Hwy (times will be updated as construction continues this year)

Elephant Bus – Jeff Arp, driver: Leave West Branch at (7:15 a.m./3:30 p.m.) proceed to Downey (7:25 a.m./3:50 p.m.) and West Branch Village southern part (regular times)

Bus #20/Rabbit – Ba.m.bi Simpson, driver: Route will run as normal schedule

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

Thank you for your support!