The Transportation Department will be developing next year’s bus routes using a new routing software. Students will be assigned to a bus route using the current residence address in PowerSchool. If your current address has recently changed or will be changing prior to the start of school, you will need to provide your child’s school with one current proof of residency of the new address and complete an Affidavit of Disclosure form which is provided at the school. Student bus route assignments will be prepared this summer and mailed home the first week in August. All students will be assigned to a route whether they ride the bus or not.

For those students needing to ride a bus to and from another address, a Long Term Bus Pass will be granted by the Transportation Department for students riding at least half the school year, ninety (90) days, or longer for daycare (a residential or commercial location providing adult supervision), custody (issued through a court order), or due to some type of hardship. The ninety (90) days or longer can be for just the morning, the afternoon, or both for any combination of days during the week.

The form for doing so is available now on the Transportation page of the Garrett County Public Schools website. Parents are encouraged to submit the form as soon as possible to insure there is a seat available on the requested bus route. All other requests to ride another bus for shorter periods of time will be handled at the schools next year.