ANGLETON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Getting Your Student Ready for Bus Transportation

2026–2027 School Year

To make sure your child's bus transportation is ready for the first day of school, please complete the steps below as soon as possible.

Two Steps to Prepare

1 Request Bus Transportation

When completing your child's enrollment or annual registration in Skyward, be sure to indicate that your child will need bus transportation.

2 Contact the Transportation Department

After registering in Skyward, call to confirm your child's pickup/drop-off address, bus route, and Smart Tag details.

Bus Route Finder

Calling Transportation helps ensure:

- Your child's pickup and drop-off address is verified
- The correct bus route is assigned
- You receive SMART Tag registration information
- Any transportation questions are answered before school begins

Transportation Department: 979.864.8011

SMART Tag™ — Smarter, Safer Bus Transportation

The SMART Tag system records when students load and unload the bus, giving real-time information to the district — and to you. SMART Tags are reusable! Returning students should continue using their existing SMART Tag. The first SMART Tag each school year is provided at no cost.

Step 1

Your child is issued a SMART Tag with an RFID chip. It does not transmit a signal — students simply swipe it.

Step 2

The Tag is required every time your child boards and exits the bus. Only their name and ID barcode appear on it.

Step 3

Students place their Tag on the tablet's sensor when loading and unloading the bus.

Meet the Driver Event

To ensure your student is assigned to the correct bus and route before the first day of school, all families are strongly encouraged to attend the **Meet the Driver** event. During the event, families can receive their student's bus number, pick up their SMART Tag (if available), learn their scheduled pickup and drop-off times, meet their bus driver, and ask any transportation-related questions.

Waiting until after these events to verify transportation information may result in delays to your student's transportation services.

Wednesday, August 12

Last Names A–K

Session 1: 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Thursday, August 13

Last Names L–Z

Session 1: 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Session 2: 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Session 2: 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Location: Transportation Center, 1910 N. Downing

General Bus Information Parents Need to Know

- Arrive at the bus stop 7 to 10 minutes before the scheduled pickup time.
- Students should wait in a safe location away from traffic until the bus arrives.
- Children in 2nd grade or under will not be dropped off unless an authorized adult is present at the stop.
- Students should have their Smart Tag ready when boarding and exiting the bus.
- If your address or childcare location changes during the year, notify Transportation right away.
- Routes and times may be adjusted during the first few weeks as enrollment is finalized; families will be notified of any changes.
- Each year, every student is issued one SMART Tag at no cost. If a SMART Tag is lost or damaged, replacement tags may be purchased for **$5** at the Transportation Department or online through the Transportation section of the district website.
- Last year's SMART tags can be used for this school year.

Before the First Day of School — Checklist

- ☐ **Complete** enrollment or registration
- ☐ **Request** bus transportation
- ☐ **Contact** the Transportation Department
- ☐ **Attend** Meet the Driver
- ☐ **Know** your child's bus number, pickup/drop-off time, and Smart Tag information

Questions? Call the Transportation Department at **979.864.8011**