School District 70 Pacific Rim



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ATTENTION: ADSS STUDENTS

BUS PASS FINAL WARNING

The purpose of this letter is to notify you that effective Tuesday November 19, 2024 all ADSS students who attempt to board a School District No. 70 school bus without a Bus Pass Card <u>WILL</u> be denied bus transportation.

School District 70 Pacific Rim is committed to providing better safety and security to the students while they are commuting from school to home or vice-versa. As such SD70 has implemented a student bus pass system. All Alberni Valley School District 70 Pacific Rim students (Kindergarten to Grade 12) who ride a bus to and from school daily, must be registered (on-line) and obtain a bus pass card to be considered eligible for school bus service.

The key reason for this requirement is student safety. The new system allows the tracking of students as they embark and disembark our buses providing up to date information on their location. Additionally, it is mandatory for the School District to adhere to all laws and regulations that apply to the operation of a school bus. The BC Motor Vehicle Act states that the District shall establish and maintain an accurate and up to date list of students riding the bus.

This means that <u>ALL</u> students who use a school bus to get to or from school <u>MUST</u> be registered and have obtained a School Bus Pass Card. Students are required to scan the card getting <u>on</u> and <u>off</u> the bus. Those students that do not have a Bus Pass Card or have one and are not using it, will be denied bus transportation effective November 19, 2024.

Bus pass cards for registered students have been made and distributed. If you have registered your student and they have not yet received a bus pass card, please contact Dave at 250-720-2772. Further Bus Pass Card information can be found at: https://www.sd70.bc.ca/page/1817/bus-routes

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