

Additional PM bus route

We currently run eight AM bus routes and only seven PM routes. Because of the increase in enrollment several of the PM bus routes have increased in mileage and time. I would like to add an additional PM bus route. I believe by adding an additional PM route we can ensure all routes would be able to return to the school before 5:00pm. As you know we have received some Parent requests to add a PM route because of the extremely long bus rides.

Some things to consider:

1. Additional cost of \$18,019.46. This includes the cost per mile for the bus, increase in salary, and fuel.
2. Contingent upon finding enough drivers. Because I have at least one driver retirement at the end of this school year I would need to find two regular route drivers.
3. I would not do a trade-in the next time we order a new bus because we would need the additional spare. Typically we get anywhere from \$1,500-\$2,500 for trade so this would be an additional cost, as well as an increase for insurance.

By adding an additional route this could potentially impact all regular bus routes so I would not recommend adding the additional route during the school year but instead wait until the new school year begins.

Thanks for your consideration,

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