

SAY Yes to STS Summer Camps

TRANSPORTATION & BUSING

Parents are responsible for transporting their child to and from Strathcona-Tweedsmuir School (STS) for each day of the summer camp or summer school. If your child is of the driving age, and has your permission to drive, you must read the Driving Policy contained within the electronic consent. If your child is driving, STS and its partners will not accept any responsibility or liability for them. Participants must arrive at the STS campus no later than 8:50 am for full-day and morning camps and by 12:30 pm for afternoon camps. Parents must pick their child up no later than 12:15 pm for the morning camps and 4:00 pm for the full-day and afternoon camps.

Alternatively, you may sign your child up to take the bus from convenient stops in Calgary and Heritage Pointe. STS uses Southland Transportation (Southland) for our bus services in accordance with the guidelines below. Any summer school students (ages 4 to 17) are able to sign up for this service which will go to and from STS daily for all summer camps. The bus will arrive at STS for a 9:00 am start time and will depart at 4:00 pm utilizing the routes indicated below.

STS will be working with Southland Transportation to offer a busing service on the following seven weeks this summer:

- ▶ June 27-30 (4 day week)
- ▶ July 4-8
- ▶ July 11-15
- ▶ July 18-22
- ▶ August 8-12
- ▶ August 15-19
- ▶ August 22-26

It is important to note that parents take responsibility for their children, regardless of their age, until they board the school bus. Because buses must arrive at STS on time, and because each additional stop may add several minutes to the schedule, there can be only a certain number of bus stops per route.

Riders should always be standing at the assigned stop at least five (5) minutes before the indicated time, as the bus will not wait. In the event of the bus running over ten (10) minutes late, Southland will make every attempt to notify families by automatic call-out. Alternately, students/parents may call Southland or use their online communication tools.

Southland will not let Kindergarten-aged students off the bus without a parent or guardian present. Should parents or guardians of children older than Kindergarten-age wish to have their child(ren) remain on the bus if they are not at the designated stop, they are required to send an email to the Southland representative



Students riding the bus must remember that they are responsible for their conduct and must conduct themselves in a quiet and courteous manner, showing consideration for the comfort and safety of others. It is expected that all students will wear the seatbelt provided on the bus. Under no circumstances are riders allowed to stand up during the ride. Scuffling, fighting, smoking, littering and/or the use of obscene language is prohibited. Students must not distract the driver with electronic equipment or rowdy and loud conversation. Violation of any bus rules will lead to loss of riding privileges or suspension from the summer camp program. Any liability of the school for other misfortune in connection with school bus

All inquiries
regarding busing
should be directed
to Southland:
403-873-7268

spmdispatch@southland.ca

transportation is hereby excluded. The driver is in full charge of the bus and the driver's directions must be obeyed. The driver will report any misconduct to the Summer Camp Principal and the STS Code of Conduct Policy will be followed.

Parents are responsible for any damage caused to the school buses by their children. Southland will assess damages and a bill for the amount of the damage and other incidental expenses will be sent to parent for settlement.

When registering to utilize the bus service, parents must indicate which stop they will be utilizing. There are six morning bus stops to facilitate an 8:50 am arrival at STS:

- ▶ McMahon Stadium (7:25 am) – Crowchild Trail NW @McMahon Stadium Red & White Club
- ▶ Richmond Square (7:45 am) – NB 51ST @ Richmond Road SW
- ▶ Kal-Tire (8:00 am) - Macleod Tr SE Corner @ Auto Center Chinook Centre
- ▶ South Centre (8:10 am) – Macleod Tr SE HBC Parking Lot West Side South Centre Mall
- ▶ Shawnessy Coliseum (8:20 am) – Macleod Trail SE Shawnessy Theatre parking lot Shawnessy
- ▶ Heritage Pointe (8:35 am) – Pine Creek Road Parking Lot @ Service Station Heritage Pointe

There are six afternoon bus stops with a departure from STS at 4:00 pm

- ▶ Heritage Pointe (4:15 pm) Pine Creek Road @ Parking Lot of Service Station Heritage Pointe
- ▶ Shawnessy Coliseum (4:30 pm) – Macleod Trail SE Shawnessy Theatre parking lot Shawnessy
- ▶ South Centre (4:40 pm) Macleod Tr SE @ South Centre Parking Lot @ HBC
- ▶ Kal-Tire (4:50 pm) - Macleod Tr SE Corner @ Auto Center Chinook Centre
- ▶ Richmond Square (5:05 pm) – NB 51ST @ Richmond Road SW
- ▶ McMahon Stadium (5:25 pm) – Crowchild Trail NW @McMahon Stadium Red & White Club

The fee to utilize the bus service is \$75.00, per participant, per week, and you're able to pay via MasterCard, Visa, Amex, MasterCard Debit, Visa Debit, Google Pay, Apple Pay and Windows Wallet. There is no pro-rated fee if you only wish for your child to ride the bus one-way.

