

January 17, 2023

Dear Traverse City West Senior High School Parent/Guardian,

With the upcoming transportation service disruptions to high school afternoon bus routes, Traverse City Area Public Schools (TCAPS) would like to share the following alternative transportation options and support for families on behalf of Bay Area Transportation Authority (BATA). This service is free to students if:

- **the student responds to the survey linked next to their route by Thursday, January 19, 2023 at 9:00 p.m.**
- **the student presents their TCAPS student ID at pick-up**

(free rides **do not** apply to BATA's Link On-Demand services)

Please review the options below, or click the link to determine which BATA service might work best for your student's transportation needs for January 23rd - February 10th:

**[West Senior High School \(WSH\) BATA Departures:](#)**

*Students must show their TCAPS student ID.*

**3:10 p.m. - BATA Bus Departure (by gym door entrance).** All riders are bused to BATA's downtown Hall Street Transfer Station. At BATA's Hall Street Transfer Station, riders can connect with other BATA routes for 3:30 p.m. departures to multiple locations (see options below). *Students should arrive at least 5 minutes before departure.*

**4:00 p.m. - BATA Bus Departure (by gym door entrance) ([Sign Up for this Route here](#))**

*Silver Lake Elementary, Westwoods Elementary, Long Lake Elementary*

Students should wait in the Commons until their departure time. *Students should arrive at least 5 minutes before departure.*

**5:00 p.m. - TCAPS School Bus Departure** If the BATA options do not work for your student, there will be a TCAPS school bus picking up students at WSH. The school bus drivers will take the students to their normal TCAPS bus stop. Students will be supervised in the Commons at West Senior High until the bus arrives. Students are asked to [sign up](#) if they expect to be on site at WSHS until 5:00.

**3:30 p.m. - Depart Hall Street Station. Route Options:**



**Village Loop Route 12** ([Sign Up for this Route here](#))

*Interlochen, Chums Corners, Grawn, Blair Township, South Silver Lake*

3:30 p.m. - Depart BATA Hall Street Transfer Station  
3:34 p.m. - Division @ 12th Street / Central Neighborhood  
3:42 p.m. - TC West Middle School  
3:47 p.m. - Grand Traverse Mall  
3:51 p.m. - Meadowlanes (Please request this stop)  
3:55 p.m. - Menards  
3:57 p.m. - Vance and Sawyer (Please request this stop)  
4:00 p.m. - Blair Township Hall  
4:03 p.m. - Silver Shores  
4:13 p.m. - Interlochen Corners – Blue Vase / U.S. 31 and M-137  
4:15 p.m. - Interlochen Public Library (Please request this stop)  
4:18 p.m. - Interlochen Arts Academy

**Village Loop Route 10** ([Sign Up for this Route here](#))

*M-22, Elmwood Township, Cherry Bend, Suttons Bay*

3:30 p.m. - Departure from BATA Hall Street Transfer Station  
3:35 p.m. - Children's Museum / Discovery Pier  
3:38 p.m. - Leelanau Studios / Cherry Bend Road  
3:42 p.m. - Bay Shore Drive and E. Walters Driver (Please request this stop)  
3:46 p.m. - Shady Lane Market  
3:55 p.m. - Village of Suttons Bay (Suttons Bay Library)

**Other connections from Hall Street Station include:**

- **Bayline Route** ([Sign Up for this Route here](#))  
Depart BATA Hall Street Transfer Station (buses every 20 minutes)  
*Meijer, Woodland Creek Park & Ride, and Holiday Hills*
- **City Loop Route 1** ([Sign Up for this Route here](#))  
3:30 p.m. - Depart BATA Hall Street Transfer Station (buses every 30 minutes)  
*Union Street Corridor, Veteran's Drive, Bay Hill and Hillview Apartments, Vista Park and Grand Traverse Mall / Walmart*
- **City Loop Route 2** ([Sign Up for this Route here](#))  
3:30 p.m. - Depart BATA Hall Street Transfer Station (buses every 30 minutes)  
*LaFranier, Boardman, Barlow, 8th Street, and the Traverse Area District Library*



BATA staff will be onsite at BATA's Hall Street Transfer Station to help guide students to the appropriate route.

As a reminder, from January 23rd - February 10th, WSH TCAPS transportation services will be as follows:

- **Jan. 25, 26, 27, Feb. 1, 2, 8, 9, 10** - AM & PM busing offered
- **Jan. 23, 24, 30, 31, Feb. 3, 6, 7** - AM busing only

BATA is not affiliated with TCAPS. *If you need additional information or have further questions please call (231) 941-2324 or visit [www.bata.net](http://www.bata.net)*

