

**'Consolidated Bus Stops' began within the Hanover Community on August 15, 2018 as the best possible way to continue to meet the needs of our ever growing district and continue to provide transportation to all Hanover students. Consolidated Bus Stops continue this year.**

**Here is the important information you should know.**

- 1. NO rural and/or major thoroughfare stops were consolidated. Service will continue on an individual student basis to ensure the safety of our students. Routes have been adjusted to allow this procedure to remain intact.**
- 2. The "Find Your Bus" link on all 5 of our websites becomes active every year prior to opening day to allow parents/students ample time to prepare for the start of school.**
- 3. NO student will be required to walk more than 1600 feet to a Consolidated Bus Stop.**
- 4. NO elementary school students will be riding with High School/Middle School students.**
- 5. We strongly encourage the parents/guardians of or our Kindergarten students, (as well as all students), to have a plan in place that ensures their safe delivery to, and pick up from, the new Consolidated Bus Stops. Our strong preference is that parents/guardians/siblings escort Kindergarten students to and from the Consolidated Bus Stops. Our bus drivers are an integral and professional part of the Hanover Community School Corporation and will work hard with our parent partners to make sure all students are transported safely. Particular attention will be made toward making sure our Kindergarten students feel safe and secure.**
- 6. Middle School/High School students will share bus services. We are aware of some parent concerns regarding incoming 5th graders at the Middle School riding with High School students and encourage our parents to talk to their students often during the first few weeks of school to determine if any individual student does not feel safe or secure. Our drivers, as always, will be attentive to the behavior of our students on the bus. Please review the bus riding rules posted on the "Transportation Department" page on our website in the Parent/Community Directory.**

**We are proud of the fact that Hanover continues to be the only major school corporation in NWI that has not begun to limit bus service based on distance from schools, grade levels, etc. We can't thank our parents enough for their cooperation, understand and assistance as we move ahead. Future changes to transportation availability will be commensurate with district growth and will be announced to all parent partners when necessary.**