

Transportation and Extracurricular Meetings Feb. 27-28

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Transportation Suggestions:

1. Use communal bus stops to gather students within four miles of their homes to speed up the bus routes.
2. Reimburse parents for the extra mileage that might occur.
3. Move the Walnut Grove southern bus pick up line to improve K-8 child movement.
4. Add a bus pickup in Currie.
5. Use vans to pick up students on the outer edge of our district.
6. Most the above suggestions will decrease bus time for students and allow for breakfast opportunities.
7. Adjust route times to allow for the same school start time in each site.
8. Realign bus routes to go north and south to speed up routes.
9. Potential of drivers switching buses at St.Olaf to save driving time.
10. Make parents aware of driving distances to neighboring districts.
11. Make a cost comparison between using a van, mini-bus or bus.

Extracurricular Suggestions and Concerns

1. Gym space and practice time are a major problem.
2. Possible solutions:
 - a. A joint effort to build a multipurpose center between the School and City which would accommodate the practice issues.
 - b. Renovate the auditorium to allow use for athletic practices and fine arts.
 - c. Check out the availability and costs of using the Storden facility.
3. If the K-8 or 1-8 proposal does go through, a majority of coaches will be teaching in Walnut Grove. They will not be able to get back to Westbrook for practice to start at the current times. Some adjustment will have to be made.
4. Concerns about the supervision of students in gyms/weight rooms between seasons, before school, and during the lunch periods.
5. Discussion about students being over-involved in extra-curricular activities and season overlap. Discussion about coach burn-out, also.
6. Discussion on: Youth wrestling, elementary music concerts, and busing.
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