

יוני תשס"ח / June 2008

Dear Parents,

We are very pleased Baruch Hashem that we have had another successful year of busing with all our Mosdos. This success is truly a team, as it involves cooperation between the schools, parents and the Agudath Israel Busing Committee. At this time, we are pleased to announce that due to the efforts of Rabbi Yehiel Kalish, and the entire Busing Committee, registration is now open for the 2008/2009 school year.

Enclosed you will find a registration form. Forms are due by June 15th and should be returned to the Agudath office, 3542 W. Peterson Avenue, Chicago, IL 60659. Any registration form received after June 15th will incur an additional fee as noted on the registration form. No form will be accepted after June 30th.

Agudath will have all the bus information including bus numbers, stops and timing later in the summer. Should there be any concerns regarding bus stops, you have up until August 12th to notify the school. After August 12th all routes will be finalized, and at that point there will be no changes made to the routes.

All routes are made up by the school and therefore all "stop" related questions, comments and suggestions should be forwarded there. The schools put much time, effort, and thought into arranging the route.

As always, the Agudath will try its best to accommodate everyone regardless of neighborhood. Should it be determined that we will not be able to provide busing in a certain neighborhood, due to the amount of children utilizing the service, we will notify you and issue a full refund prior to the beginning of the school year.

Fundamental rules and regulations for riding the buses are enclosed. Misconduct and any kind of misbehavior will not be tolerated. Registration will only be considered provided that it is signed by a parent indicating that the bus rules and conduct have been reviewed with each child registering, and each child has committed to obey all the rules and understands that violation of any of the rules will result in suspension of bus riding privileges.

If a parent feels the bus service is not working out for their child they should please notify both the Agudath and your school. Refunds will only be given up until Sukkos.

Looking forward to another successful year of busing,



Rabbi Yitzchok Ehrman
 Comptroller

School Schedule

School	Minyan	AM	PM		Minyan	AM	PM
Arie Crown*	✓		✓	Hillel Torah*	✓		✓
Akiba Schechter		✓	✓	Joan Dachs Bais Yaakov**			✓
Cheder Lubavitch Boys	✓		✓	Yeshivas Tiferes Tzvi	✓	✓	✓
Cheder Lubavitch Girls			✓	Veitzener Cheder	✓	✓	✓
Gesher Hatorah			✓				

*Buffalo Grove and Highland Park have roundtrip service

**Monday through Thursday Only



AGUDATH ISRAEL BUS SERVICE

RATE SCHEDULE REGISTRATION ■ CONTRACT 2008 – 2009

▶ DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION JUNE 15th ◀

Students in Grade K – 8:
\$60.00 - per child, per way
 After June 15th - **\$80**

Last Name _____ Father Name _____ Mother Name _____
 Address _____ City _____ Zip _____
 Home Phone _____ Father Cell _____ Mother Cell _____
 Father's Email _____ Mother's Email _____

	Childs Name	School	Grade 08/09	Morning Pick-Up	Afternoon Drop-off
1.				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5.				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6.				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Rates quoted are on a full year basis. Full payment of transportation charge must accompany registration form. We are not responsible for forms returned later than June 30th.

▶ **Payment Options** (please check one): Check Enclosed* Credit Card**

Name on Card

Address _____ **City** _____ **Zip** _____

_____ / _____

Account Number _____ **Expiration Date**

CCV (3 digit # on back) _____ **Signature** _____

***Please make checks payable to School Transportation**
****Visa or Mastercard only**

Kindly register my child(ren) for bus service through Agudath Israel for 2008 - 2009 as noted above. We have reviewed the rules and regulation of busing with our child(ren) and understand that breaking any of these rules may result in loss of bus riding privileges.

Parent's Signature _____ Date _____

Please Mail or Fax the Form to:
Agudath Israel * 3542 West Peterson Avenue * Chicago, IL 60659 * 773-279-8400 * 773-279-9571

Agudath Israel's Rules and Regulations

For Students Riding School Buses

These rules and regulations were prepared by Agudath Israel along with your child's/children's school and will apply to all schools being transported by Agudath Israel.

1. The driver is in full charge of the bus and students. The students must obey the driver promptly and willingly.
2. Students shall ride their regularly assigned bus at all times, unless permission has been granted by the school authorities. School authorities should verify with Agudath Israel and the bus driver, availability of extra seating space and should not allow non-regular riders if it will cause standees on the bus.
3. Unless by permission of school authorities, no student shall be permitted to leave the bus except at his or her regular stop.
4. Each student may be assigned a seat in which he will be seated at all times unless permission to change is given by the school principal and/or bus monitor.
5. Outside of ordinary conversation, classroom conduct must be obeyed. Classroom conduct means students will:
 - A. Keep the buses clean
 - B. Refrain from throwing objects.
 - C. Sit properly in their seats.
 - D. Be courteous to the driver and students.
6. Students are to assist in keeping the bus clean by keeping their waste paper off the floor. Students must also refrain from throwing refuse out of the windows. To help keep the bus clean, eating is not allowed.
7. No student shall open a window on the school bus without first getting permission from the school bus driver.
8. No student shall at any time extend his/her head, hands, or arms out of the windows, whether school bus in motion or standing still.
9. Students must see that they have nothing in their possession that may cause injury to another, such as breakable containers.
10. Each student must see that his books and personal belongings are kept out of the aisle. Special permission must be granted by school authorities to transport any large items.
11. Students are expected to be courteous to the driver and monitors. Raising one's voice, speaking in a discourteous and/or derogatory manner, or arguing when an instruction is given will not be permitted. At no time are students to instruct the driver where to go or where to stop unless the driver specifically requests their assistance.
12. No student shall sit in the driver's seat, nor shall any student be to the immediate left or right of the driver.
13. Students are to remain seated while the bus in motion and are not to get on or off the bus until the bus has come to a full stop.

14. Students must leave the bus in an orderly manner. They must not cross any roadway until given consent by the school bus driver. When boarding or leaving the bus, the students should be in view of the driver at all times.
15. Students must not stand or play in the roadway while waiting for the bus. Students should leave home early enough to arrive at the bus stop before the bus is due. Students are not to run errands between the bus stop and their home.
16. Self-discipline should be exercised by students at the bus loading area. Students should refrain from pushing and shoving other students.
17. Bus companies will be reimbursed for damage to school buses by students.
18. Students shall respect the rights and safety of others on the bus.
19. Students misconduct on a bus will be sufficient reason to discontinue providing bus transportation to those students involved.
20. When a teacher or monitor is assigned to accompany students on a bus, such person shall be primarily responsible for the behavior of the students in their charge. However, the bus driver shall have final authority and responsibility.

NOTE: Violation of any of the above rules of school bus discipline of Agudath Israel Policy may result in a suspension of a student's bus riding privileges.

Riding on a school bus is a privilege, not a right

By allowing my child to ride on the bus, I agree with the rules and regulations stated above, and I have reviewed them with my child/children to assure that they will abide by them.